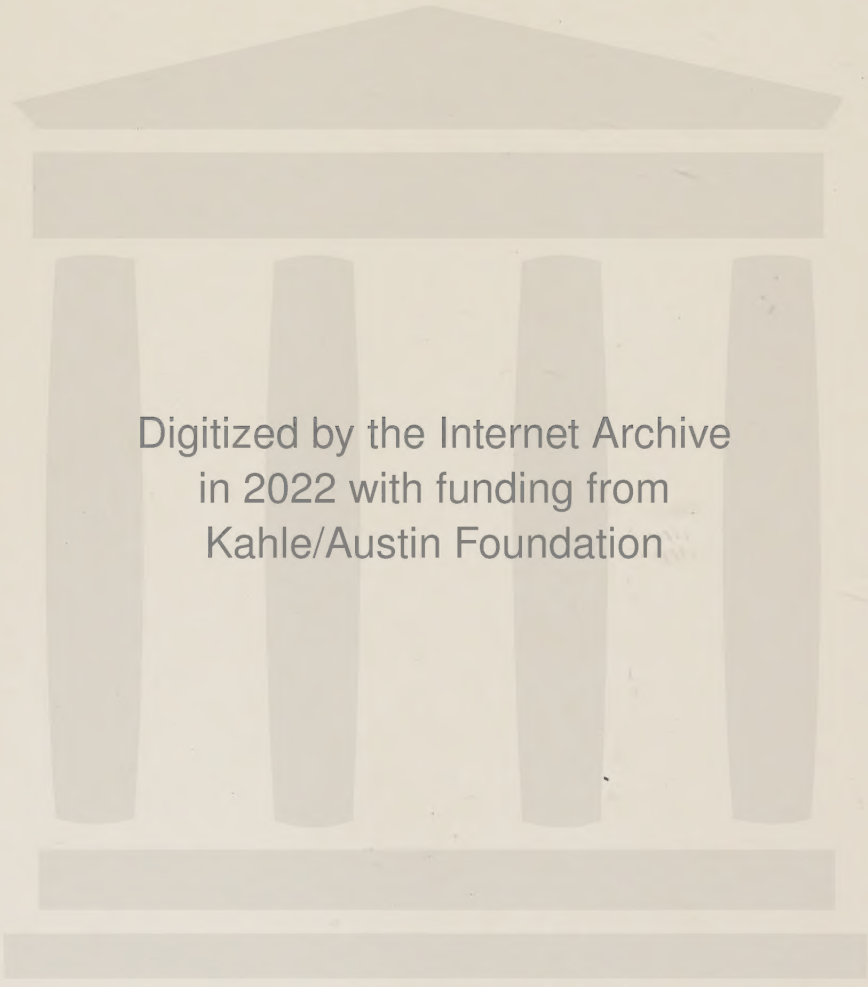

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INTRODUCTION

In the introduction to volume 1, Doctor Sullivan referred (p. iv) to the existence of a portion of the records of the Schenectady district committee. Similar committees existed in all of the districts of the county, which then included the present counties of Albany, Schenectady, Saratoga, Washington (southern part), Rensselaer, Columbia, Greene (in part) and Schoharie (in part). A number of letters and petitions from these district committees are found in the printed sources already mentioned (vol. 1, p. vii); there is a single extract from the minutes of the Claverack Committee of March 21–23, 1777, in the *Calendar of Historical Manuscripts relating to the War of the Revolution*, 1:659.

As the minutes of the Schenectady Committee are the only records of any district committee that have even partially survived to the present it seems entirely fitting to print them as a supplement to the record of the larger parent body.

The activities of the Schenectady Committee were almost as multitudinous as those of the Albany Committee; this is naturally so because the larger part of the minutes of the Albany Committee itself records the action of that body when functioning simply for the city of Albany and immediate vicinity. Matters of importance for the county were considered, when time permitted, only at meetings of which the other districts received notice and to which they sent their delegates. It is not necessary therefore to describe the work of the Schenectady Committee beyond the statement that at times the reader feels even a little closer to the frontier of conflict than in the case of the Albany record; if we had the minutes of the committees of Schoharie and Saratoga and Cambridge, this feeling would probably be still stronger.

The Manuscripts

The original minutes were still in existence 50 years ago, for Judge Sanders writes as follows:

> I have before me a minute book of 162 closely written pages, kept by that committee and their successors, now belonging to the library of Union College, presented to that institution as a valuable relic of our Revolutionary trials by our fellow-citizen, Edward Rosa, Esq.; and although deeply interesting on each page, I can only select a few items or extracts to show how patriotic, multiform, and extensive were the duties and labors of that committee; and, in the mass of interests, even that selection is difficult.[1]

[1] Sanders, John, *Centennial Address relating to the Early History of Schenectady, and its First Settlers; delivered at Schenectady, July 4th, 1876*, (Albany, 1879), page 275.

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John H. Munsell [1] may have had the original minutes as his text in places varies considerably from Sanders; it is worthy of note, however, that he uses no material not in Sanders except the extract of May 26, 1775, which is also found in Carpenter's publication. Judge Yates,[2] writing still later, implies that he had access to the original minutes, but this is somewhat doubtful; at any rate, he gives nothing not already found in Sanders. More recently, Willis T. Hanson, Jr.,[3] made a determined search for the missing record but without result.

The present publication is made from three entirely distinct portions of the record, each of which has its own history. These are:

1	May 6, 1775, to May 27, 1776	12 months, 22 days
	Wanting	7 months, 17 days
2	Jan. 15, 1777, to Feb. 7, 1778	12 months, 23 days
	Wanting	16 months, 7 days
3	June 15, 1779, to Aug. 18, 1779	2 months, 4 days

We have, therefore, the proceedings for 2 years, 3 months, 19 days out of a period of 4 years, 3 months, 13 days covered by the extreme dates. As we do not know how much longer the committee continued to function, we can not determine what percentage this may be of the entire life of the committee.

The source of part 1 is the *American Historian and Quarterly Genealogical Record*, of which four numbers were issued in 1876 and which then ceased publication. So large a part of this little periodical was devoted to the minutes of the Schenectady Committee that the following description is of interest:

> The *American Historian and Quarterly Genealogical Record*, " edited by the Historical Society " and published by Mr E. Z. Carpenter under a Schenectady imprint, is now practically unknown. Indirectly, from the publisher, the writer has learned the history of this little magazine. There was no " Historical Society " as indicated on the title page of the publication and Mr Carpenter had no associates in the enterprise. He was sole editor, proprietor and printer, setting his own type and using a hand press which he still has. The numbers were given to friends as printed, and but seventy-five copies of each were issued.[4]

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[1] Howell, George Rogers, and Munsell, John H., *History of the County of Schenectady, N. Y. from 1662 to 1886*, (N. Y., 1886); published with Howell, George Rogers, and Tenney, Jonathan, *Bicentennial History of Albany*, 1886, but with separate title page, index and paging. The introduction shows that Munsell was responsible for this history and it is referred to by his name in the accompanying footnotes.

[2] Yates, Austin A., *Schenectady County, New York; its History to the Close of the Nineteenth Century*, (1902).

[3] Author of *A History of Schenectady during the Revolution* (1916).

[4] Hanson, *op. cit.*, p. 18. The publication in the *American Historian* is referred to in the notes as the Carpenter record.

Part 2, covering 1777 and the beginning of 1778, was transcribed from photostat copies of the original record in the Library of Congress (Force Collection). Its history before its acquisition by Peter Force is not known. It comprises seventy-six pages of the usual folio size and is the original record in the handwriting of the several secretaries; in various places, as indicated by footnotes in the present printed copy, there are also signatures of other individuals subscribed to oaths, etc. The relation of this record to the minute book of 162 pages is an unsolved question. As no extract of minutes of this period are given and no references made by any Schenectady historian, except Hanson who used the Force record, it might be inferred that these minutes were not included in the volume. It is also possible that the minutes of the earlier years of the committee, including this period, were copied into the volume by a later secretary, who discarded the original record, a portion of which later found its way into the hands of Force.

Part 3 covers a small part of 1779. It is transcribed from a copy, made almost certainly within the past 50 years by an unknown copyist; it was written with indelible pencil on thirty-eight sheets of modern paper, 8 by 10 inches in size. Found in a second-hand dealer's store and regarded as of no value, it was secured by Mrs Charlotte T. Luckhurst, a local historian interested in the history of Schenectady and the Mohawk valley, who at once realized and appreciated its character and importance. Shortly thereafter, in 1922, she presented it to the New York State Library. As Sanders gives extracts of minutes of this period, taken from the minute book, it seems likely that this copy was made either directly from that book or from an earlier copy of this portion of the book.

This volume has been edited in accordance with the rules indicated in the previous volume.

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June 15, 1925

SCHENECTADY COMMITTEE

Proceedings, part 1

[1]At a meeting of the freeholders & Inhabitants of the Township of Schenectady, the 6th of May, 1775, the following persons were unanimously Chosen to be a Committee of Correspondance, safety & protection for said Township, viz:

Rinier Minderse,	John Sanders,
James Wilson,	Abraham Oothout,
Hugh Mitchell,	Tobyaus Ten Eyck,
Henry Glen,	John Rosebom,
Harmanas Wendle,	Christopher Yates.[2]

At a meeting of the above members the 8th May, at the house of Robert Clench, John Sanders and Tabyus Ten Eyck refused to serve.

At a meeting of the Committee the 9th of May, 1775, at the house of William White:

Present.

Rinier Minderse,	Harmanas Wendle,
James Wilson,	Abraham Oothout,
Henry Glen,	John Rosebom,
Hugh Mitchell,	Christopher Yates.

On motion made, Resolved, that Christopher Yates be Chairman of this Committee, and Hugh Mitchell, Clark.

On motion made, Resolved, that this board hold their meetings at the house of William White.

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[1] The minutes from the beginning through May 27, 1776, are copied from the *American Historian and Quarterly Genealogical Record*, vol. 1, p. 1-22, 46-65, 81-99 and 133-40. This publication is referred to hereafter as the Carpenter record.

[2] Both Sanders and Munsell (see introduction) give the list of members, writing the names in the more usual forms. By a typographical error, Munsell writes Rimies (instead of Rinier) Mynderse. A more important, though perhaps unintentional, change is made by these historians in that they omit John Sanders and Tobias Ten Eyck, whose refusal to serve is noted in the record of the first meeting of the committee on May 8th, and add Cornelius Cuyler and Jacobus Teller, who were not elected till May 27th.

On motion made, Resolved, that all the members of this board attend the General meeting of the Committee at Albany, the 10th Inst.[1]

At a meeting of the Committee, 16th May, 1775:

Present.

Christopher Yates, Chairman.

Rinier Minderse,	Abraham Oothout,
John Rosebom,	Harmanas Wendle,
James Wilson.	

Recd a letter from the Chairman of the Committee of Albany, acquainting this board that Daniel Campbell, Esqr had a quantity of Gun Powder in store at Albany, which he wanted to take out, but they refused him that liberty until they acquainted this board of the same.

Having taken the contents of said letter into our consideration, and foreseeing the evil Consequences that may attend the powder falling into the hands of our Enemys, Resolved, that this board will purchase the said Powder from Daniel Campbell for the use of the Inhabitants of this Township, and others who may stand in need thereof.[2]

At a meeting of the Committee, 20th May, 1775:

Recd a letter from William Petrey, at the German flatts, informing this board that the bearer of said letter, Adam Perse, had heard Colonel Guy Johnson desire some Indians to rise in armes and Cut of the Inhabitants.

Having taken the contents of said letter into our Consideration, Resolved, that Adam Perse be examined on oath relative to the contents, which was don, and that said letter be answered, which was also don, as Per Coppy on file.

At a meeting of the Committee, 22d May, 1775.

Present.

Rinier Minderse,	Harmanas Wendle,
John Rosebom,	Abraham Oothout,
James Wilson,	Hugh Mitchell.

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[1] See vol. I, p. 29. Whether all the Schenectady members were in attendance or merely "returned" is not clear.

[2] In copying these minutes from the original record, Sanders and Munsell modernized the text, spelling and punctuation. Differences in words also occur which seem to be due to editor or copyist, the Carpenter text best representing the manuscript. It has not seemed desirable to call attention to all variations but, as an illustration, the Sanders copy of the minutes of this date is here reproduced.

"Received a letter from the chairman of the committee at Albany, acquainting this board that Daniel Campbell, Esq., has a quantity of gunpowder in store at Albany, which he wishes to take out, but this committee refused him that liberty until they acquainted this board of the same.

"Having taken the contents of said letter into consideration, and foreseeing the evil consequent that may attend the powder falling into the hands of our enemies,

"*Resolved*, That this board will purchase the said powder from Daniel Campbell, for the use of the inhabitants of this township and others who may stand in need thereof."

Abraham Swits, John Vroman & John Clute informed this board that they were informed by good authority that one Mr. Fletcher, a schoolmaster in this Town, that Colonel Guy Johnson would Com down the river with five thousand Indians, and Cut us all of, And further said that it would be right, and if he had it in his Power he would do the same, for we were all rebels.

The above report having been taken into Consideration, Resolved, that said Fletcher be sent for to know his motives for so saying, and to answer to the above Charge.

Said Fletcher having been twice sent for did not appear, Therefore Resolved, that the Complainents be acquainted therewith.

At a meeting of the Committee, 23d May, 1775:

Present.

Christopher Yates, Chairman.

Rinier Minderse,	Hugh Mitchell,
James Wilson,	Abraham Oothout,
John Rosebom,	Harmanas Wendle,

Recd two letters — one from Colonel Guy Johnson, representing to this board the danger he supposed himself to be in of being taken prisoner by the people of this quarter; The other from the Reverend Samuel Kirtland, informing this board of his stay at Guy Park.

On motion made, Resolved, that both letters be answered, which was don, as per Coppys on file.

At a meeting of the Committee, 24th May, 1775:

Present.

Christopher Yates, Chairman.

Rinier Minderse,	Hugh Mitchell,
James Wilson,	Abraham Oothout,
John Rosebom,	Harmanas Wendle,

A sub-committee from Albany waited on this board, and informed us that they were on their way to Guy park to deliver an answer to the speech made by the Mohak Indians, & requested that a sub-committee from this board might accompany them thither for said purpose.

On motion made, resolved, that Christopher Yates & John Rosebom be a Sub-Committee from this board to accompany and assist the members from Albany to deliver said answer.

On motion made, Resolved, that the board do now purchase 338[1] lbs. of Gunpowder from Daniel Campbell, Esq[r] at 3*s*. Per lb.

On motion made, Resolved, that said Powder be delivered in Custody to John Post & John G. Lansing, and that they dispose of it to the publick as hereinafter directed. Said Post and Lansing is ordered to dispose of the powder at 3*s*. 9*d*. per pound, 3*s*. 10*d*. by the half pound, 4*s*. by the quarter, and not to dispose of any of it to any person who lives out of this Township, without an order from a member of the Committee.

On motion made, Resolved, that advertisements be Emediately struck up at the most publick places in this Town, desiring all the Inhabitants of this Township to meet here on Saturday, the 27th Inst., at ten o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of informing this board how they are provided with arms and ammunition, and of appointing two other members in the room of Messrs. Sanders & Ten Eyck, who decline serving.

At a meeting of the Committee, 26th May, 1775:

Present.

Christopher Yates, Chairman,

Rinier Minderse,	Hugh Mitchell,
James Wilson,	Abraham Oothout,
John Rosebom,	Harmanas Wendle.

Information being given to this board that Elisha Abby, lately from the Oneida Castle, had some intelligence to offer to the board relative to Colonel Johnson and the Indians.—

On motion made, Resolved, that said Elisha Abby give his information upon oath.

Received a letter from the Committee of Albany, requesting some of the members of this board to attend a General meeting of the Committee there the 27th Inst., on business of importance. In consequence of said letter, Resolved, that Abraham Oothout & Harmanas Wendle be a sub-committee from this board to attend said General meeting, at Albany the 27th Inst.

On motion made, Resolved, to request the public at their meeting the 27th Inst., to appoint Cornelious Cuyler, Esq., & Jecobus Teller to be members

[1] Sanders reads: 335.

of this board, in the room of John Sanders and Tabyus Ten Eyck; also, to raise three companies of minute men in this Township for its safety, in manner following, viz: two companies in the Town & one company in the westina,— that each company consist of one Captain, two Lieutenants, four Serjants, three Corporals, an drum, and fifty privites to choose their own officers, and that when said companys are formed, the Captains to give in, Each, a list of his Company to the Committee, and that said companies spend a few hours every week in learning the military Exercise.

At a meeting of the Committee, 27th May, 1775:

Present.

Christopher Yates, Chairman,

John Rosebom, James Wilson,
Hugh Mitchell.

The Inhabitants of this Township being assembled and made acquainted with the resolve of the 26th Inst., unanimously agreed to the appointment of Cornelious Cuyler, Esq.,— Jecobus Teller, to be members of this Committee, and requested the Committee to appoint the officers for the three minute Companies.

Having taken said request into consideration, Resolved, to appoint the following persons to be officers in said minute Companys, viz:

Jelles T. Fondau,[1] Captain,
Andrew Van Petten, 1st Lieut. } first Company.
Minairt A. Wemple, 2d lieut.

Cornelius Van Diek,[2] Captain,
John Minderse, 1st Lieut. } second Company.
Garret Veder, 2d Lieut.

John Van Peten, Captain,
Cornelius Van Slyke, 1st Lieut. } third Company.
Mindert R. Wemple,[3] 2d Lieut.

[1] Should be Jelles J. Fonda, and so copied by Munsell.
[2] Cornelius Van Dyck. Van Dorn, as copied by Munsell, is an error.
[3] Munsell gives this name as Myndert M. Wemple. Myndert R. Wemple is probably correct; Hanson (p. 22) so gives it but does not refer to this appointment under either name in the individual records of service.

At a meeting of the Committee, 28th May, 1775:

Present.

Christopher Yates, Chairman,

Rinier Minderse,	John Rosebom,
James Wilson,	Cornelious Cuyler,
Hugh Mitchell,	Jecobus Teller.

Cornelious Cuyler and Jecobus Teller being now present took their seats.

A sub-committee from the County of Tryon waited on this board to inform us of the state of affairs in that country, which they looked on to be dangerous in respect to the Indians, and requested a supply of powder.

Having taken the above request into consideration, Resolved to furnish them with fifty pounds of powder.

At a meeting of the Committee, 29th May, 1776 [1775]:

Present.

Christopher Yates, Chairman,

Rinier Minderse,	Cornelious Cuyler,
James Wilson,	Jecobus Teller,
Hugh Mitchell,	Abraham Oothout,
John Rosebom,	Harmanas Wendle.

In consequence of a request of the Committee of Albany to raise one company of men for the Continental service, to go to ticantarog,[1] Consisting of one Captain, one Lieutenant, one Ensign, three Serjants, three Corporals, one Drummer, one fifer and fifty privates;

Resolved, that Cornelious Van Dike is appointed Captain, Benjamin Hilton Lieut., & Cornelious Van Slike Ensign for said Company, and that the utmost dispatch be made in raising said Company,— Their pay to be as follows, viz:

Capt. per month,	£6. 0. 0.	Serjants,	£2. 8. 0.	all Lawfull money of New England.
Lieut. per do	"4. 0. 0.	Corporals,	"2. 4. 0.	
Ensign per do	"3. 0. 0.	Drummer,	"2. 4. 0.	
		fifers,	"2. 4. 0.	
		privites	"2. 0. 0.	

[1] Ticonderoga.

On motion made, Resolved, that Every officer and soldier belonging to any of the Companys now raised or to be raised within this Township sign the association recommended by the Honorable, the Continental Congress, and that no person muster, or apear under armes in any of the Companys who do not Comply with this resolve.

On motion made, Resolved, that Instructions be Emediately given to Captain Van Dike for raising of his Company.

At a meeting of the Committee, 31st May, 1775:

Present.

Christopher Yates, Chairman,

Rinier Minderse,	John Rosebom,
James Wilson,	Cornelious Cuyler,
Hugh Mitchell,	Jecobus Teller.

Capt Van Dike made aplication to this board for provision for his men.

The board having taken said request into consideration, Resolved, that Captain Van Dike's men be boarded for the present at the Houses of John Welsh & Robert Marton,[1] at the rate of one shilling, N. Y. Currency, per day, per man.

On motion made, Resolved, that all Physicians and others desist from inoculation of the small pox for the present, agreeable to a similar resolve of the Committee of Albany, and that the same be made publick by advertisement.

At a meeting of the Committee, the 9th June, 1775:

Present.

Christopher Yates, Chairman,

James Wilson,	Cornelious Cuyler,
Hugh Mitchell,	Jecobus Teller,
John Rosebom,	Abraham Oothout,
Rinier Minderse,	Harmanas Wendle.

[1] Sanders gives the names as "John Wilson and Robert Moston (Moyston)"; Munsell follows Sanders except that he makes the name in parentheses Moycton. Hanson gives these names as does Carpenter, merely changing Marton to Martin. Of John Welsh he gives no further details; of Robert Martin the only added fact is the date of birth, Dec. 2, 1758. He makes no reference to any John Wilson but mentions Robert Moyston, born April 24, 1758, died Aug. 3, 1798, and refers to this name as appearing on the rolls of the Schenectady militia.

Received a letter from the Committee of Albany, informing this board that Captain Van Dike's Company would not be soon wanted to go on service.

Having taken the Contents of said letter into consideration, Resolved, that Captain Van Dike's men be allowed no provision, nor billeting money for the future, until their service is wanted, and that those who are not willing to continue in the service agreeable to this resolve, be Emediately paid of and discharged.

On motion made, Resolved, that Captain Van Dike's Company spend two days in the week in learning the military exercise.

At a meeting of the Committee, 20th June, 1775:

Present.

Christopher Yates, Chairman,

Rinier Minderse,
James Wilson,
Hugh Mitchell,
Harmanas Wendle.
John Rosebom,
Cornelious Cuyler,
Jecobus Teller,

A letter being received from Henry Glen, Esqr at N. York, dated the 15th Inst., Resolved, that the said letter be answered, which is don, as per coppy on file.

John Denney being Just Returned from Canada,

Resolved, that said Denney be Examined under oath Respecting his knowledg of publick matters in and about Montreal, which was don accordingly.

At a meeting of the Committee, 22d June, 1775:

Present.

Christopher Yates, Chairman,

Rinier Minderse,
James Wilson,
Hugh Mitchell,
John Rosebom,
Cornelious Cuyler,
Jecobus Teller,
Abraham Oothout,
Harmanas Wendle.

A letter being received from Henry Bleeker, Commissary at Albany, requesting this board to furnish with twenty waggons on the publick credit. to carry provisions to Lake george:—

Having taken the contents of said letter into Consideration, Resolved, that said request is Complyed with, and that said Bleeker's letter be answered accordingly.

At a meeting of the Committee, 23d June, 1775:

Present.

Christopher Yates, Chairman,

Rinier Minderse,	John Rosebom,
James Wilson,	Cornelious Cuyler,
Hugh Mitchell,	Jecobus Teller,
Harmanas Wendle,	Abraham Oothout.

The Reverend Samuel Kirtland, with five Oneida Indians, waited on this board, and informed us they were going to Albany to speak to the Committee there, and requested some of this board might accompany them.

This board having taken their request into Consideration, Resolved, that John Rosebom is appointed to accompany Mr. Kirtland and said Indians to Albany.

Binjamin Hilton gave in a resignation of his warrent, and Refused serving.

This board having taken the resignation of said Hilton into Consideration, Resolved, that the same is axcepted of.

On motion made, Resolved, that Cornelious Van Slike is appointed to be a Lieut. in the room of Binjamin Hilton, and John G. Lansing is appointed to be an Ensign in the room of Cornelious Van Slike.

At a meeting of the Committee, 27th June, 1775:

Present.

Christopher Yates, Chairman,

Rinier Minderse,	Cornelious Cuyler,
James Wilson,	Jecobus Teller,
Hugh Mitchell,	Abraham Oothout,
John Rosebom,	Harmanas Wendle.

The oneda Indians being returned from Albany and waited on the Committee, Resolved, to give said Indians some presents to show them our friendly disposition, and that they be entertained while in town, at the House of William White.

A sub-committee from Albany waited on this board, and informed us that they were on their way to the German Flatts, to assist at the counsel to be held there with the Indians; and in consequence of a resolve of the Committee of Albany, Requested that a sub-committee from this board might accompany them on said business.

Having taken the request of said Committee into Consideration, Resolved, that Hugh Mitchell and Abraham Oothout be a sub-committee from this board to assist at the counsel to be held at the german flatts with the Indians.

At a meeting of the Committee, 6th July, 1775:

Present.

Christopher Yates, Chairman,

Henry Glen,
Rinier Minderse,
John Rosebom,
Jecobus Teller,
Abraham Oothout,
Harmanas Wendle,
Cornelious Cuyler,
Hugh Mitchell.

A meeting of the inhabitants waited on this board and Laid two letters before them: the one directed to Colonel Guy Johnson, and the other Doctor Dire of Johnstown, supposed to contain matters of importance.

On motion made, Resolved, that the letters for Colonel Johnston be opened and red, which being don, found to be from John Blackburn, Merchant in London, and only relative to their private affaires.

Henry Glen delivered to this board recruting warrants from the provincial Congress for Captain Van Dicke and the other officers of his company.

On motion made, Resolved, that said warrents be Emediatly delivered to the respective persons.

At a meeting of the Committee, 10th July, 1775:

Present.

Christopher Yates, Chairman,

Rinier Minderse,
James Wilson,
Hugh Mitchell,
Henry Glen,
Abraham Oothout.
John Rosebom,
Cornelious Cuyler,
Jecobus Teller,
Harmanas Wendle.

John Hughan made aplication to this board for leave to raise a Company of Militia, and reported that he had twenty men Ingaged.

Having taken said request into Consideration, and finding a number of those men who wer engaged for said Company have not signed the association, Resolved, this board disaproves of raising said Company.

Received a letter from Jacob Cuyler, Esq., requesting to know what quantity of wheet flower and pease Can be purchased here. Resolved that said letter be Emediatly answered.

Peter B. Vroman, Mindert A. Wemple & Jelles J. Fundau having been made an offer of warrents for recruiting by the provincial Congress, all refused excepting of them; Therefore Resolved, to recommend John A. Bratt to be Captain, John G. Lansing 1st Lieut., and Ahasueras Wendle to be 2d Lieut., and that a letter be wrot to the Committee of Albany, recomending them in the room of the others who refused serving.

Information being Given to this board that a quantity of musket balls, the property of gorernment, was stored in the House of Margaret Van Antwerp, at the westina:—

Having taken said report into consideration, Resolved, that said balls be Emediately sent for and taken into Custody by this board, to be disposed of as shall hereafter be Juged necessary. Said balls having been sent for and received, weighed 8$^{cwt.}$ 1$^{qr.}$ 8$^{lbs.}$[1] delivered in charge to Harmanas Wendle.

At a meeting of the Committee, 12th July, 1775:

Present.

Christopher Yates, Chairman,

Rinier Minderse,	Henry Glen,
James Wilson,	Jecobus Teller,
Hugh Mitchell.	Abraham Oothout,
John Rosebom,	Harmanas Wendle,
Cornelious Cuyler.	

On motion made, Resolved, that Christopher Yates, John Rosebom & Jecobus Teller be a Sub-committee from this board to attend at the General meeting of the Committee at Albany the 13th Inst.

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[1] Sanders: 8 lbs., 1 oz.

At a meeting of the Committee, 13th July, 1776:

Present.

Rinier Minderse,
Henry Glen,
James Wilson,
Hugh Mitchell.
Cornelious Cuyler,
Abraham Oothout,
Harmanas Wendle,

Orders from General Schuyler to Captain Van Dicke to march Emediately with his Company to Lake George having been shon to this board by Lieut. Lansing, Captain Van Dicke and his first Lieutenant being both absent recruiting:—

This board having taken said orders into Consideration, Resolved, that the Company march to-morrow, under the Command of Lieut. Lansing, and that the men be ordered to hold themselves in readiness.

The men being drawn up and made acquainted with this resolve, absolutely refused to march without their Captain.

On motion made, Resolved, that an Express be sent to Captain Van Dicke requesting his Emediat return to march with his Company, and that a letter be wrot[1] to General Schuyler, acquainting him of the reason of the Company's Delay.

At a meeting of the Committee, 14th July, 1775:

Present.

Henry Glen,
James Wilson,
John Rosebom,
Harmanas Wendle.
Hugh Mitchell,
Abraham Oothout,
Cornelious Cuyler,

Received a letter from Christopher Yates, Chairman of Tryon County, informing this board of the supposed danger that county was in of being invaded by the Indians, and desiring assistance.

This board having taken the contents of said letter into Consideration, and being unable to afford any assistance, Resolved, to inclose said letter in one from this board to the Committee of Albany, for their perusel.

Information being given to this board that Serjant Welsh, with a party of men, had gon to Currey Bush and brought in Simon Feder to town in a rieoutes manner:—

[1] Sanders: sent.

Having taken said report into consideration, Resolved to send for said welsh to inquire by what authority or at whose request he went to bring in Simon Feder.

Said welsh having been sent for and pressent, Declared upon oath that he was not advised nor directed by any person whatever to bring in said Feder, but that him and his party went of their oun accord, and that their intention was to bring Simon Feder before the Committee to answer some charges they had heard Mr. Dotey and Mr. Hughan had to give in against them.

On motion made, Resolved, that the Reverand Mr. Dotey and John Hughan be both Examined to know what they have to lay to the charge of said Feder.

The Rev^{d} Mr. Dotey and John Hughan being boath Examined, declaired that they had nothing to offer against said Feder. The Reverand Mr. Dotey gave the same in writting from under his hand.

At a meeting of the Committee. 17th July, 1775:

Present.

Christopher Yates, Chairman,

Rinier Mindersc, Cornelious Cuyler,
Henry Glen, James Wilson,
John Rosebom, Hugh Mitchell,
Harmanas Wendle.

Received a letter from the Committee of Albany, requesting this board to Equip Captain Van Dicke's Company Compleet for a march.

Having taken the contents of said letter into our Consideration, Resolved, that said letter be complyed with, and that they be furnished with necessaries as soon as possible.

On motion made, Resolved, that Captain Van Dicke Deliver in a pay role of his Company from the day of their inlistment untill the 1st day of July.

Received of the Committee of Albany one hundred pounds two shilling, in part for the disbursements of this Committee.

Frederick Fisher applyed to this board for some ball for the use of the Inhabitants of Tryon County.

Having taken said request into Consideration, Resolved, to furnish him with two hundred weight of ball, at the rate of forty shillings per hundred.

On motion made, Resolved, that Captain Van Dicke be furnished with fifty weight of balls for the use of his Company.

At a meeting of the Committee, 22d July, 1775:

Present.

Christopher Yates, Chairman,

Rinier Minderse,
Cornelious Cuyler,
Henry Glen,
Jecobus Teller.
James Wilson,
Harmanas Wendle,
Hugh Mitchell,

Received a letter from Christopher Yates, Chairman of the Committee of Tryon County, informing this board that about six hundred men were assembled in and about Caughnewago, in order to take Alexander White, sherrof of said County, into custody for sundree misdemenors, and that said white had fled to and was protected by Sir John Johnson, who had fortified and put his house in a Posture of defence. Mr. Yates also requested this board to send them two field pieces and some amunition.

Having taken the Contents of said letter into consideration, and not having either field pieces or amunition to supply them with, Resolved, that said letter be inclosed in one from this board to the Committee of Albany, and sent by the Mohok's Express, viz: Jno Newkirk & Wm. Snook.

At a meeting of the Committee, 23d July, 1775:

Present.

Christopher Yates, Chairman,

Henry Glen,
Rinier Minderse,
Jecobus Teller,
John Rosebom,
James Wilson,
Harmanas Wendle,
Cornelious Cuyler,
Hugh Mitchell.

A Sub-committee from Albany waited on this board and informed us they were on their way to Johnstown to inquire the cause of the disturbances in that county, and requested to be Joined by some members of this board.

Having taken said request into consideration, Resolved, that Henry Glen & Harmanas Wendle be a sub-committee from this board to accompany the sub-committee from Albany to Johnstown.

John Funda, from Caughnewago, informed this board that Alexander White with several others had made their Escape from Johnstown, and was supposed to be gon to Canada, and requested that General Schuyler might be made acquainted with their Escape that he might order his scouting partys to

keep a look out for them, as it was supposed they might have letters of Consequence about them. John Funda also offered to pay the Expense of an Express for said purpose.

Having taken said Information and request into Consideration, Resolved, that a letter be Emediately wrot to General Schuyler, informing him of the above Inteligence, which was don, as per Coppy on file, and sent by an Express.

At a meeting of the Committee, the 26th July, 1775:

Present.

Rinier Minderse,	Cornelious Cuyler,
Jecobus Teller,	Henry Glen,
Harmanas Wendle,	Hugh Mitchell,
Abraham Oothout.	

Resolved, that Henry Glen & Cornelious Cuyler be a Sub-Committee from this board to attend at the general meeting of the Committee at Albany the 27th Inst.

On motion made, Resolved, that a letter be wrot to Christopher Yates, desiring to know if he hath with drawn himself from this board or not, which was don as per Coppy on file.

At a meeting of the Committee, 1st of Augt:

Rinier Minderse,	Cornelious Cuyler,
Jecobus Teller,	James Wilson,
John Rosebom,	Hugh Mitchell,
Harmanas Wendle.	

Peter Martin, Esqr of Tryon County having been brought before this board for some misdemenors of his in said County:

On motion made, Resolved, that said Martin be ordred to stay in this Town twenty-four hours, till an Express be sent to the Committee of Tryon County to inform them of his being here, and to know what they will do farther with him.

At a meeting of the Committee, 4th Augt 1775:

Present.

Cornelious Cuyler,	Harmanas Wendle,
John Rosebom,	Jecobus Teller,
James Wilson,	Hugh Mitchell.

This board being informed that Daniel Campbell, Esqr & Alexander Ellen[1] intends going up to Niagara, and from thence to Montreal:—

Having taken said information into Consideration, Resolved, that a letter be wrot and sent by express to the Committee of Albany to know whether in their opinion it will be most proper to detain the said Campbell & Ellen, or let them go under sertain restrictions.

At a meeting of the Committee, 5th Augt 1775:

Rinier Minderse,	Cornelious Cuyler,
James Wilson,	Hugh Mitchell,
Jecobus Teller,	Abraham Oothout,
John Rosebom,	Henry Glen.

Received a letter from the Committee of Albany, in answer to the one sent from this board the 4th inst in which they decline to give any particular advice relative to Messrs Campbell & Ellen.

On motion made, Resolved, that Messrs Campbell & Ellen be sent for and examined relative to their Intentions of going up the Country.

Said Campbell & Ellen having been sent for and pressent, Declared upon their Honor that they were going up the Country on their own private bussinese, and that they would not carrey any letters or messages to or from any person who was inimical to the American Cause.

Alexander Ellen requested a permit from this board for himself and Mr. Campbell to go up the Country.

This board having taken the matter into Consideration, Resolved, that Messrs Campbell & Ellen be permited to go, and that a Certifycat be given them in the following words:

" We do hereby Certify that the bearers hereof, Daniel Campbell & Alexander Ellen hath been before us and acquainted us of their intention of going to Niagara, & from thence to Canada, on their privite bussinese: they have

[1] Sanders writes this name as Ellice, which is undoubtedly correct. The minutes of the Albany Committee contain no reference to the letter here mentioned.

pledged their honor to us that they will not carrey any letters or messages of news to or from any person who is enemycal to the American Cause. By order of the Committee.

Schenentady, 5th Augt 1775. H. M., Clark.

To all whom this may Concern."

At a meeting of the Committee, 9th Augt 1775:

Present.

Henry Glen,	John Rosebom,
Abraham Oothout,	Cornelious Cuyler,
Jecobus Teller,	Hugh Mitchell.

Received a letter from Christopher Yates, in which he resigns his seat in this board.

Having taken the Contents of said letter into Consideration, Resolved, that Christopher Yates's resignation is axcepted of.

On motion made, Resolved, that Rinier Minderse is appointed Chairman of this Committee in the room of Christopher Yates.

On motion made, Resolved, that Hugh Mitchell and Abraham Oothout be a Sub-Committee from this board to attend at the general meeting of the Committee at Albany, the 10th Inst., and that Christopher Yates's letter of resignation be laid before that board at said general meeting.

At a meeting of the Committee, 11th Augt 1775:

Present.

Cornelious Cuyler,	Abraham Oothout,
John Rosebom,	Hugh Mitchell,
Jecobus Teller.	

A plan for raising a company of Militia in this Town having been laid before this board by John Bradt, who also requested leave to put the same in Execution: —

The board having taken said plan and request into Consideration, Resolved, that the same is approved of.

On motion made, Resolved, that Cornelious Cuyler is appointed to receive all the Donation wheet for the poor of Boston, and have the same graun bolted and packed, for which he is to be allowed all reasonable Charges.

On motion made, Resolved, that a letter be wrot to the Committee of Albany, acquainting them that, agreeable to their Resolve of the 10th Inst., that we have purchased all the bayonet to be got in this place, and delivered them, by Colonel Van Slike's orders, to Captain Van Dick for the use of his Compy which was don, as per Coppey on file.

In Consequence of a resolve of the Committee of Albany the 10th Inst., Resolved, that a letter be wrot to the Committee of Tryon County, and enclose to them a Coppey of the resolve made at Albany, requesting them not to suffer any known or suspected Enemys to the American Cause to pass further up the Mohak River than the German Flatts.

At a meeting of the Committee, 19th Augt 1775:

Present.

Cornelious Cuyler,	John Rosebom,
Jecobus Teller,	Hugh Mitchell,
Abraham Oothout.	

Received a letter from Turbat Frances, one of the Commissioners for Indian affairs, requesting that no rum or strong liquor be sould to the Indians as they pass thraug this Town to Albany, where they are to hold a Counsel.

Having taken the Contents of said letter into Consideration, Resolved, that the Crier be sent Round the Town to forbid the inhabitants to sell or give the Indians aney rum as they pass through this Town.

At a meeting of the Committee, 21st Augt 1775:

Present.

Henry Glen,	Jècobus Teller,
John Rosebom,	James Wilson,
Cornelious Cuyler,	Abraham Oothout,
Harmanas Wendle,	Hugh Mitchell.

Received a letter from the Committee of Albany, requesting punctual attendance at the next general meeting, as their would be then business of importance to be transacted,

In consequence of said letter, Resolved, that Henry Glen, Jecobus Teller, & James Wilson, & John Rosebom be a Sub-Committee from this board to attend at the general meeting of the Committee at Albany the 24th inst.

At a meeting of the Committee, 28th Augt 1775:

Present.

Rinier Minderse, Chairman,

Henry Glen,
Abraham Oothout,
James Wilson.
Cornelious Cuyler,
Hugh Mitchell,

This board having taken into Consideration the forming of the Milltia, of this Township into Companys, agreeable to a plan of the Honorable Continentals & provincials Congress,

Resolved, to meet this Evening, at 6 O'Clock, and send for all the former Captains of militia, and desire them to assemble all their respective Companys at the Dutch Church, on Saterday, the 2d Septr in order to be formed into Companys, agreeable to a resolve of Congress to be then red to them.

The Committee having again met, and the Captains of Militia having been sent for and pressent, was requested to assemble their Companys agreeable to this day's resolve, & unanimously promised to Comply therewith.

At a meeting of the Committee, 6th Sept 1775:

Present.

Rinier Minderse, Chairman,

James Wilson,
Hugh Mitchell,
Henry Glen,
Abraham Oothout.
Cornelious Cuyler,
Jecobus Teller,
Harmanas Wendle,

On motion made, Resolved, that James Wilson & Harmanas Wendle is appointed to be a Sub-Committee to attend at the next general meeting of the Committee at Albany the 7th Inst., and lay a list of the officers appointed for the five Companys of minute men and militia before that board, and apply for their Commissions.

Rank of the Companys:

Jelles J. Funda, 1st Capt
John Minderse, 2 do
John Van Petten, 3 do
Abraham Wemple, 4th do
Thomas Wason, 5 do

At a meeting of the Committee, 9th Sept 1775:

Present.

Rinier Minderse, Chairman:

Henry Glen,	James Wilson,
John Rosebom,	Hugh Mitchell,
Cornelious Cuyler,	Harmanas Wendle.

On motion made, Resolved, that Hugh Mitchell is appointed to go to Albany the 11th Inst., and receive the amount of the accounts due to this board.

At a meeting of the Committee, the 19th Sepr 1775:

Present.

Rinier Minderse, Chairman.

Henry Glen,	John Rosebom,
Cornelious Cuyler,	Hugh Mitchell.

On motion made, Resolved, that Henry Glen & John Rosebom is appointed to be a Sub-Committee from this board to attend at the general meeting of the Committee at Albany the 21st Inst.

At a meeting of the Committee, the 27th Sepr 1775:

Present.

Rinier Minderse, Chairman.

Harmanas Wendle,	Henry Glen,
Cornelious Cuyler,	James Wilson,
John Rosebom,	Hugh Mitchell.

Received a letter from the provincial Congress, dated the 9th of August, requesting that all the Districts who Could raise five Companys of Militia should recomend such persons as they thought proper to be field officers.

This board having taken the Contents of said letter into Consideration, Resolved, to Recommend the following persons, viz:

Abraham Wemple to be Colonel,	Nicholas Feder 2d Major,
Jacob Skermarhorn Lieut do	Aran Van Petten ajutent,
Abraham Switts 1st Major,	John Peek Quartermaster.

At a meeting of the Committee, 26th[1] Sepr 1775:

Present.

Rinier Minderse, Chairman.

Harmanas Wendle, Jecobus Teller,
James Wilson, Hugh Mitchell.

Information being given to this board that George Ramsey had spoken verry disrespectfully of some of the members of this Committee, and that he was strongly suspected of being Concerned in putting tar and fethers on several of their doors last night:

This board having taken the above information into Consideration, Resolved, to postpon the trial of said Ramsey respecting the first offense until a fuller board, and that aplication be made to the Magistrates to take Cognesence of the latter.

At a meeting of the Committee, the 4th Octr 1775:

Present.

Rinier Minderse, Chairman,

James Wilson, Jecobus Teller,
Harmanas Wendle. Abraham Oothout,
John Rosebom, Hugh Mitchell,
Cornelious Cuyler.

On motion made, Resolved, that James Wilson is appointed to attend at the general meeting of the Committee at Albany, the 5th Inst., and lay before that board a list of the persons' names recommended to be field officers in this District.

At a meeting of the Committee, the 28th of Octr 1775:

Present.

Jecobus Teller, Cornelious Cuyler,
Harmanas Wendle, John Rosebom,
James Wilson, Hugh Mitchell,
Abraham Oothout.

[1] It will be noted that the minutes of the 26th follow those of the 27th. There is no explanation of this arrangement.

Received a letter from the Committee of Albany, dated the 26th Inst., requesting as many members of this board as possible would attend at a general meeting of the Committee, to be held at Albany, the 30th of this Inst.

Having taken the contents of said letter into Consideration, Resolved, that their request be complyed with, and that as many of the members of this board attend at said general meeting as are able to go.

At a meeting of the Committee, 1st Novr 1775:

Present.

Rinier Minderse, Chairman,

Jecobus Teller,	Abraham Oothout,
Hugh Mitchell,	James Wilson,
John Rosebom,	Harmanas Wendle.

In Consequence of a Resolve of the provincial Congress to dissolve that board on the ——, and for to hold a new Election for members to sit in provincial Congress, and a resolve made by the Committee for the City and County of Albany at their meeting the 30th of Oct., to dissolve themselves the 20th December next, and ordering a new Election of members throughout the Country to sit in the several Committees,

Resolved, that Sundry advertisements be Emediately struck up at the most public places in this Township, desiring all the inhabitants to meet at the House of William White, on Tuesday, the 7th Inst., at nine o'Clock in the forenoon, then and there to Elect and Choose twelve members to represent this county in provincial Congress, and ten members to be a Committee of Correspondence, Safety & protection for this Township.

On motion made, Resolved, that sundry advertisements be Emediately struck up on the most publick places in this Town, desiring all those having any demands against the Committee to give in their accounts Emediatly to Hugh Mitchell, that they may be sattled.

At a meeting of the Committee, the 7th Novr 1775:

Present.

Rinier Minderse, Chairman,

Cornelious Cuyler,
John Rosebom,
James Wilson,
Hugh Mitchell.
Jecobus Teller,
Harmanas Wendle,
Abraham Oothout,

An election having been held in presence of the above members, the following persons were legaly Elected and Chosen to be a Committee of Correspondance, safety and protection for this Township, viz: James Wilson, Jecobus Teller, Hugh Mitchell, Abraham Oothout, Harmanas Wendle, Garret G. Lansing,[1] Albert Mabey, Christopher Yates, Derrick Van Ingan & Abraham Wemple.

The following persons were also Elected & Chosen to represent the City and County of Albany in provincial Congress, viz:

Henry Glen, Abraham Yates, Abraham Ten Brook, Robert Yates, Peter R. Livingston, Jacob Cuyler, Robert Van Ransler, Francis Nichols, John J. Bleeker, Henry Oothout, Lenard Gansefort & Peter Silvester.

At a meeting of the Committee, the 9th Novr 1775:

Present.

Rinier Minderse, Chairman,

James Wilson,
John Rosebom,
Hugh Mitchell.
Cornelious Cuyler,
Harmanas Wendle,

On motion made, Resolved, that James Wilson attend at the general meeting of the Committee at Albany the 10th Inst., and lay before that board the pole of Election for twelve members to represent the City and County of Albany in provincial Congress.

On motion made, Resolved, that the names of the ten persons Elected to be a Committee for this Township be made publick by advertisements.

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[1] Should probably be Garret A. Lansing; so entered in roll of attendance, Jan. 13, 1776; elsewhere the name occurs as Garret Lansing.

At a meeting of the Committee, 17 Novr 1775:

Present.

Rinier Minderse, Chairman.

James Wilson, Cornelious Cuyler,
Jecobus Teller, Harmanas Wendle,
Hugh Mitchell.

The Commissions for the several officers appointed in this Township being now Come to hand, with instructions to this board to Caus said officers to sign sertain articles on receipt of their Commissions,

On motion made, Resolved, that Cornelious Cuyler is appointed to draw up the articles to be signed by said officers, and that the Committee meet the 22d Inst for the purpose of delivering out the Commissions, and that the several officers be notifyed thereof.

At a meeting of the Committee, 22d Novr 1775.

Present.

Rinier Minderse, Chairman.

John Rosebom, Abraham Oothout,
Jecobus Teller, Harmanas Wendle,
Henry Glen, Hugh Mitchell,
Cornelious Cuyler.

A number of the officers being now present, agreeable to notice given them the 17th Inst.—

On motion made, Resolved, that their Commissions be given to them, on signing the articles prepared for that purpose, which was don as follows:

Abraham Wemple, Colonel
Abraham Swits, 1st Major
John Peek, Qr Master
John Van Petten, Captain
Cornelious Mayby, 1st Lieut
Simon Van Petten, 2 do
Jellis I. Funda, Captain
Andrew V. Petten, Junr 1st Lieut
Mindert Wemple, 2 do
Nicholas Yates, Ensign
Thomas B. Banker, Captain
John B. Vroman, 1st Lieut
John Minderse, Captain
Garret Veder, Junr 1st Lieut
Solomon Pendelton, 2d do
Lawrence Minderse, Ensign

At a meeting of the Committee, the 6th Decr 1775:

Present.

Rinier Minderse, Chairman,

James Wilson,	Jecobus Teller,
Hugh Mitchell,	Henry Glen,
John Rosebom,	Abraham Oothout,
Cornelious Cuyler,	Harmanas Wendle.

On motion made, Resolved, that Rinier Minderse & James Wilson is appointed to be a Sub-Committee from this board to attend at the general meeting of the Committee at Albany the 7th Inst., and present an account from this board to them for payment.

At a meeting of the Committee, 9th Decr 1775:

Present.

Rinier Minderse, Chairman,

Harmanas Wendle,	James Wilson,
Henry Glen,	Jecobus Teller,
Abraham Oothout,	Cornelious Cuyler,
Hugh Mitchell,	John Rosebom.

On motion made, Resolved, that the five new members that were elected the 7th Inst be sent for to know if they will serve.

Said members having been sent for and present, all agreed to serve, together with thos elected out of the Pressent Committee.

John Peek, Quartermaster, having given in his resignation and Commission to this board:

The board having taken said resignation into Consideration, Resolved, that the same is axcepted of, and an other be appointed in his place.

At a meeting of the Committee, 18th Decr 1775:

Present.

Rinier Minderse, Chairman,

Henry Glen,	James Wilson,
Abraham Oothout,	John Rosebom,
Cornelious Cuyler,	Harmanus Wendle,
Hugh Mitchell,	Jecobus Teller.

On motion made, Resolved, that Cornelious Cuyler Deliver the Donation money for the relief of the poor of Boston, now in hands, which is seventy-three pounds. New York Currency, to Hugh Mitchell, which sum is to remain in his hands untill ways and means be found to carry[1] the same to Boston, The propriety of such ways and means to be Judged of by the present & succeeding Committee.

On Examination of the Donation accounts, and finding that the sum of £39. 16. 6. of said money is in the hands of Christopher Yates,

On motion made, Resolved, that Christopher Yates account for the same to the succeeding Committee.

On motion made, Resolved, that Hugh Mitchell is appointed to receive a payment of four pounds due to this board by Frederick Fisher & Committee of Caughnewago for Balls sould them, and pay the same to Margaret Van Antwerp, from whom the Ball was Received.

On motion made, Resolved, that Hugh Mitchell is appointed to receive the money due to this board from the Committee for the City and County of Albany, which is £7. 11. 0, for the purpose of paying the remainder of the debts due by this board, and to William White £3 for the services of his boy in attending on the Committee.

At a meeting of the Committee, 20th Decr 1775:

Present.

Rinier Minderse, Chairman,

Cornelious Cuyler,	Harmanus Wendle,
James Wilson,	John Rosebom,
Abraham Oothout,	Hugh Mitchell.

There being one pound five shillings, New Y. C., in the hands of Hugh Mitchell, which was received for Ball furnished Captain Van Dick for the use of his Company,

On motion made, Resolved, that Hugh Mitchell apply the above sum of one pound five shillings to the payment of the two following debts: to John Rosebom, for Ribbons bought for Captain Van Dick's Recruits, 17*s.*; and to Isaac De Graf for warning the Inhabitants to Come to the Election which was held the 7th of Novr last.

Their being now twenty shillings in the hands of Harmanas Wendle, which sum remains due to three of the men enlisted by Captain Van Dick, viz; to John Wenn 5*s.*, to William Murrey 5*s.*, to John Rose 10*s*:

[1] Sanders: convey.

On motion made, Resolved, that said sum of twenty shillings remain in the hands of Harmanas Wendle until the above persons call for it.

On motion made, Recolved, that the remainder of the ball now on hand, which is 5cwt. 3qr. 0lbs. remain in the hands of Harmanas Wendle untill further orders from sum succeeding Committee, and if any of said ball should be sould by any succeeding committee, the money arising from said sails to be paid to the aforenamed Margaret Van Antwerp.

At a meeting of the Committee, 29th Decr 1775:

Present.

Garret Lansing, Abraham Wemple,
Christopher Yates, Jecobus Teller,
Harmanas Wendle, Albert Mabey,
Derick Van Ingen, Abraham Oothout,
Hugh Mitchell.

On motion made, Resolved, that Derick Van Ingen is appointed to be Chairman of this Committee, & Abraham Wemple deputy Chairman,— Hugh Mitchell Clerk, and Christopher Yates deputy Clark.

On motion made, Resolved, that James Wilson and Jecobus Teller is appointed to be a Sub-Committee from this board to attend at the general meeting of the Committee at Albany, the 4th Janry next.

This board having taken into consideration the Custom of the Inhabitants of this place, of firing guns on New Years day, and finding said Custom to be attended with an unnecessary waste of powder, which ought particularly to be prevented at this time; Resolved, that the Magistrates be applied to, to use their authority in putting a stop to said custom.

Messrs John & Cornelious Cuyler having been sent for, and present and Made acquainted with the foregoing Resolve, tould this board they would speek to the other Magistrates; and that they would, as far as in their power, comply with said Resolve.

At a meeting of the Committee, 12th Jany 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingen, Chairman,

Garret Lansing, James Wilson,
Albert Mabey, Abraham Oothout,
Jecobus Teller, Hugh Mitchell.

Two men from Warrens Bush,[1] on their way from Albany, happened to be in company with one William Burton, at the five mile house, who tould them he was sent up from the Secretary's office at New York, with letters to the sherroffs of the several Counteys: they suspecting that said Burton might have other, private letters to some of the Enemys to the Country, Therefore brought said burton and his letters before this board.

Said burton being examined, declared he had no letters about him but one to Alexander White, Sherrof of Tryon County, in which was the governor's warrant for holding a new Election inclosed, and one for Sir John Johnson, the contents of which he did not know.

On motion, Resolved, that the letter to Sir John Johnson be opened and Red — the same being done, it prooved to be a letter from Judge Johnes of New York, on private Bussines.

At a meeting of the Committee, 13th Janry 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingen, Chairman,

Garret A. Lansing,
Albert Mabey,
Jecobus Teller,
James Wilson.
Abraham Wemple,
Harmanas Wendle,
Christopher Yates,

Received a letter from the Committee of Albany, informing this board that a Considerable number of men in Tryon County had taken up arms in behalf of the ministery, and threatened destruction to the frends of America,— by said letter they Requested this board to send them, Emediatly, a Company of sixty men Compleetly armed, with proper officers to command them, and four days provision.

In consequence of said letter, Resolved, that the officers of the minute companys be ordered to have sixty of their men in Readiness to March to Albany, with as many more as Chuse to go voluntarily.

Recd a letter from Jacob Cuyler, Esq., of this day's date, Covering one from the Committee of Ball's Town, which he requested to be sent by Express.

Resolved, that said request be Complyed with, and that Nicholas Fedder Carrey said letter to the Committee of Ball's Town, for which he shall be paid eight shillings.

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[1] Sanders adds: (Florida). The reference is to the town of Florida in Montgomery county.

Whereas, Jacob Skermurhorn hath refused to axcept of a Lieu[t] Colonel's Commission in the Militia, Nicholas Feder of a Majority, Aaron N. Van Pettan of an ajutansey, and John Peek having resigned the Quartermastership: It is therefore resolved, that the following persons is appointed in their steed, viz.:—

Christopher Yates, Lieu[t] Colonel,
Mindert Wemple, 2[d] Major,
John Post, Quartermaster.

At a meeting of the Committee, 14[th] Janr[y] 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingen, Chairman,

James Wilson,
Christopher Yates,
Harmanas Wendle,
Albert Mabey.
Jecobus Teller,
Abraham Wemple,
Hugh Mitchell,

Captain John Minderse, with the other officers of the minute men, made their appearance before this board with a number of their men as per list on file, and set out Emediatly in slades [1] for Albany.

On motion made, Resolved, that orders be Emediatly sent to Capt. John Van Pettan, to place guards at William De Graf's, Tunis Swart's & Lewis Peek's, to prevent any onfrendly persons or letters from passing upwards.

On motion made, Resolved, that a letter be wrot to James McMaster and Committee of warrens bush, requesting their vigilence in prevent any news from passing that way, which was don in the following words:

In Committee Chamber, at Schenectady, Jan'ry 14[th], 1776.

Sir: we being suspicious that news may be Carried to Johns Town of what is now Carreing on here, we are about to place guards on both sides of the river, to prevent any person from passing upward who are not knowen to be frends to the american Cause;— we therefore request you will take such steps as will prevent any news Passing through Warren's Bush, and that you will Exemen all letters that you are Suspicious of. By order of the Committee.

To Mr. James McMaster,
or Committee of
Warren's Bush.

H. M., Clerk.

[1] Sanders: sleighs.

At a meeting of the Committee, 14 Janry 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingen, Chairman,

Albert Mabey,	Garret Lansing,
Abraham Wemple,	James Wilson,
Jecobus Teller,	Christopher Yates,
Harmanas Wendle,	Hugh Mitchell.

A number of strangers being in town from different places, and this board being affraid that some roil might happen in the town, Therefore Resolved that aplication be made to the Majestrates to order a duble watch for the pressent. Jecobus Teller & Harmanas Wendle being appointed to wait on the Majestrates with the above request, reported that the Majestrates Complys theirwith, and that a duble watch will be ordred.

Capt Van Dick waited on this board and delivered a letter which he had received from Nicholas Harkemer, signed by Binjamen Hilton, of this Town, and directed to Alexander white, sherrof of Tryon County, Contaning some Expressions verry unfrendly to the American Cause.

Capt Van Dick also informed the Board that Hanukel Harkemer informed him that John B. Van Eps, of this Town, had last summer suplyed Sir John Johnson with a quantity of gunpowder.

On motion made, Resolved, that the farther inquirey into both the Crimes aledged against Van Eps & Hilton be put off untill another meeting.

On motion made, Resolved, that any member of this board, while in the Chamber, who shall profainly swer an oath, shall pay one shilling for Every such oath to the Chairman for the benefit of the Committee.

At a meeting of the Committee, 15th Janry 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingen, Chairman,

Christopher Yates,	James Wilson,
Jecobus Teller,	Albert Mabey,
Garret Lansing,	Harmanas Wendle,
Abraham Wemple,	Hugh Mitchell,
Abraham Oothout.	

Thomas Wason, John Little, George Wason, & John Nealley, of Currey's bush, all waited on this board, signed the articles recomended by Congress to be signed by all officers, and received their Commissions.

John L. Peek waited on this board, and delivered in a letter wrot by the Reverand Mr. Stewart, at Fort Hunter, and directed to John Munroe, at Albany, which their guard had intersepted. Said letter Contained some unfrendly sentiments to the american Cause.

On motion made, Resolved, that said letter be kep in Custody by this board.

On motion made, Resolved, that Benjamin Hilton be sent for and Examined relative to his letter to Alexander White, Sherrof of Tryon County.

Said Hilton having been sent for and pressent, acknowledged himself to be the author of the letter — said it was Lieu[t] McDonald, of Albany who gave him the information mentioned in said letter — that he wrote this letter purposely to please said White, as he knew his sentiments: he farther says he knew he was doing wrong, but never thought it would be discovered.

This board having taken into Consideration the Crime Committed by Benjamin Hilton, Resolved, that said Hilton either Cause his said letter with the said decleration to be published three weeks successivly, in Hugh Gain's newspapers, to appear first by the fifth day of february next; or this board will publish said letter and decleration, together with his affidavit, taken before Cornelious Cuyler, Esq[r]., the 14[th] of July, 1775.

Said Hilton being again present and made acquainted with the above resolve, promised to Comply therewith,— that he would cause the letter and declaration to be published, agreeably to the first clause of the above resolve.

At a meeting of the Committee, 18[th] Jan[y] 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingen, Chairman,

James Wilson, Abraham Oothout,
Garret Lansing, Harmanas Wendle,
Abraham Wemple.

Clarey Bastedo having informed this board that she had some intelligence to give them relative to the proceedings in John's Town,

On motion made, Resolved, that said Clarey Bastedo be Examined upon oath: which being don, and finding it might be necessary for General Schuyler

to know the informotion she gave, Resolved, that the affidavit of said Clarey Bastedo be inclosed in a letter from this board, and sent to General Schuyler, which was don as follows:

We think it our duty to send you the inclosed, as the fact therein attested is in it self possible, and as it is so necessary to guard against and Counteract a thing of that sort.

To
The Honorable
Philop Schuyler, Esq^{r}
on his way to John's Town.

I am, Sir,
with the greatest Respect,
your verry Hub^{l} Serv^{t}
D. V. I., Chairman.

On motion made, Resolved, to send orders to Captain John Van Petten to dismiss his guards to-day, at 12 O'Clock, which was don accordingly.

At a meeting of the Committee, 22^{d} Janr^{y} 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingen, Chairman,

Abraham Wemple,
James Wilson,
Christopher Yates,
Hugh Mitchell,
Albert Mabey,
Jecobus Teller,
Abraham Oothout,
Harmanas Wendle.

Received a letter from Benjamin Hilton, Covering a Coppy of a letter which he had wrot to the Sub-Committee for the City and County of Albany, by which it plainly appears that he hath applyed to that board for a new Trial before the County Committee at their next General meeting. This board having taken the contents of said letters into Consideration, Thereupon Resolved, that a letter be wrot to the Committee of Albany to acquaint them of said Hilton's Having stood trial before this board, which was don, as per Coppy on file; and that this board will lay the proceedings of and against said hilton before them at the next General meeting.

On motion made, Resolved, that advertisements be struck up on the most public places in this town, desiring all the inhabitants who have been imployed with their Slades in the Expedition to John's Town to give in their accounts to Hugh Mitchell, on or before the 30th of this Inst., which was don in the following words:

Advertisement:— all persons that have been Employed by this Committee to go with their slades on the Expedition to Tryon County are desired to give in their accounts to me on or before the 30th of this Inst. By order of the Committee.

H. M., Clerk.

Schenectady, 22 Janry 1776.

At a meeting of the Committee, 23 Janry 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingen, Chairman,

Abraham Wemple,	Christopher Yates,
Abraham Oothout,	Jecobus Teller,
Harmanas Wendle,	Albert Mabey,
Hugh Mitchell,	Garret Lansing.

The Majistrates of this Town made aplycation to this board to know if they would protect them in the Execution of their offices.

The board having taken the aplication made to them by the Majistrates into Consideration, Resolved that the Majistrates be protected in the Execution of their Lawfull office, and that a Sub-Committee from this board wait on them and acquaint them of this Resolve.

At a meeting of the Committee, 26th Janry 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingen, Chairman,

Garret Lansing,	Christopher Yates,
James Wilson,	Abraham Wemple,
Harmanas Wendle,	Hugh Mitchell,
Albert Mabey,	Abraham Oothout,
Jecobus Teller.	

This board having taken the state of the Militias of this Township into Consideration, and Considering the many inconvenianceys which have and may arise from their not being properly formed into Companeys, thereupon Resolved, that a List of the inhabitants be made out, the better to enable this board to form all them into Companys which are not already formed.

At a meeting of the Committee, 31 Janry 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingen, Chairman,

Garret Lansing,	Abraham Wemple,
Abraham Oothout,	Jecobus Teller,
James Wilson,	Harmanas Wendle,
Hugh Mitchell,	Albert Mabey.

On motion made, Resolved, that Derick Van Ingen, Hugh Mitchell, & Abraham Wemple is appointed to be a Sub-Committee from this board to attend at the general meeting of the Committee at Albany the 1st of febry next, and lay before that board the proceedings of this board against Benjamin Hilton.

Information being given that William Murray, late soldier in Captain Van Dick's Company, hath some information to give to this board,

On motion made, Resolved, that said Murray be sent for; which having been don, and said Murray present, on his being asked what he had to inform this board of, said he had heard George Ramsey make use of some reflections against himself in particular, and the friends of the American Cause in General

On motion made, Resolved, that William Murray draw up in writing what he knowes against said Ramsey, and that he be sworn to the truth of the same, which was don. William Murray, in his affidavit says, that being in Company with George Ramsey at the house of Reuben Simons, said Ramsey Called him a Tratore & a Rebel, and asked him if he was not ashamed to fight against his king.

George Ramsey having been sent for and pressent, and hearing the Evidence which William Murray gave against him, Confessed the truth of it, but said for excuse that he only did it to put Murray in a passion as he knew he was of a quick temper.

At a meeting of the Committee, 6th Febry 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingen, Chairman,

Abram Wemple,	Jecobus Teller,
Garret Lansing,	Abraham Oothout,
James Wilson,	Hugh Mitchell,
Christopher Yates.	

This board having taken into consideration that a number of the inhabitants of this Township was from hom at the time the General association was handed about to be signed, consequently had not an oppertunity at that time, and by carlesness have neglected doing it since. Willing to give all those who are frendly to the American cause an oppertunity of Evinceing their sentiments to their neighbours, Resolved, that an association paper be agan opned, and that all who incline to sign it may have an oppertunity by applying to the Chairman of this Committee.

On motion made, Resolved, that a letter be wrot to Captain Thomas, of Currey's bush, to desire him to finish the signing of the association in his district, and return it with the names of the non-associates, by the 14th Inst., which was don.

At a meeting of the Committee, 7th Febry 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingen, Chairman,

Abraham Wemple,	Hugh Mitchell,
Garret Lansing,	James Wilson,
Abraham Oothout,	Jecobus Teller.

The men's names in this Township who are not alredy formed into Companeys, being now made out into three seperate listes, Each list to be a Company, Resolved, that the men mentioned in said listes be warned to appear in Town on Saterday, the 10th Inst., at 10 O'Clock forenoon, for the purpose of Chusing their respective officers.

Ahasueras Marselis Junr to warn those persons mentioned on the first list, Isaac De Graf & John T. Marselis to warn those on the second list, and Jellis Brower and Adam Cundee to warn those on the third list.

Two Messages having been sent to Robert John Donaldson, desiring him to appear before this board, and he having not attended thereto; thereupon Resolved, that an order be give to Captain John Minderse to order a party of his men to bring said Donaldson before this board, which was don in the following words:

Sir,

You are hereby required to order two of the men under your Command to go and bring the body of Robert John Donaldson before this Committee, on friday, the 9th Inst., at 10 O'Clock, forenoon.

By order of the Committee.

D. V. I., Chairman.

Schenectady, 7 febr'y, 1776.

To Capt John Minderse.

At a meeting of the Committee, 8th feb'ry, 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingen, Chairman,

Jecobus Teller,	Abraham Wemple,
Harmanas Wendle,	Hugh Mitchell,
James Wilson,	Garret Lansing.

Robert John Donaldson appeared before this board, and said he had not received our message until last Evening, and would have come sooner had he known the board wanted him; upon which, Resolved, to Countermand the orders given to Captain John Minderse. On Examination, finding that said Donaldson had some information to give this board against Joseph Kingsley, Resolved, that said Donaldson give the same upon oath; which being don, Resolved, to send for Joseph Kingsley to hear the Evidence which is given against him.

Said Kingsley having been sent for and present, denied the charge, but said he differed with us in sentiments in regard to the present dispute between Great Britain and the Coloneys.

Having taken into Consideration the proof of Crimes Committed by Joseph Kingsley, and finding him to have made use of unwarrentable Expressions, and is in our opinion an Enemy to the American Cause; Thereupon Resolved, that said Kingsley be Committed to the goal of Albany, or place appointed for such Prisoners, there to remain untill the next General meeting of the Committee, to stand trial for his offences, and that a mittimes be wrot and sent with him, which was don in the following words:

Committee Chamber at Schenectady, 8 febr^{y} 1776.

Sir:

we send you by the bearers, Harmanas Van Slike & John Van antwerp, the body of Joseph Kingsley, and request you will Cause him to be Confined in the prisson you have prepared for offenders against the American Cause, untill the next General meeting of the Committee, before whom we will lay his Crime, which Consists in high aspersions on the frends to liberty,

By order of the Committee.

D. V. I., Chairman.

To the Chairman of the Committee at Albany.

Reuben Simons and John Denney appeared before this board to give their information against John Freel, of John's Town, who is also present.

On motion made, Resolved, that said Simons & Denney give their Evidence against said Freel upon oath; which being don, & the board having taken into Consideration the facts proved against said Freel by said Evidence, are of opinion that he is an Enemy to his Country, and ought to be treated as such: but as he properly belongs to the County of Tryon, Therefore Resolved, that the affidavits of said Simons & Denney be given to John Fry, Esq., which is a member of the Committee for that County and now in Town, that they may proceed against him according to his deserts.

At a meeting of the Committee, 10th febry 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingen, Chairman,

Garret Lansing,
Jecobus Teller,
Abraham Wemple,
Harmanas Wendle.
James Wilson,
Abraham Oothout,
Hugh Mitchell,

An Election having been this day held for the purpose of Chusing officers for three Companys of Militia, agreeable to a resolve of the 7th Inst., the following persons were chosen:

Thomas Brower Banker, Capt
John B. Vrooman, 1st Lieut
Aron Fedder, 2 Lieut
Binjamin Yong, Ensign
Henry Glen, Esqr., Capt
John B. Marselis, 1st Lieut
Nicholas Barhite, 2d Lieut
Cornelious V. Sanford, Ensign
Ahasueras Marselis, Capt
Jessa Van Slike, 1st Lieut
William Stephens, 2 Lieut
Abraham Van Eps, Ensign

Aplication having been made to the publick, at this day's meeting, to appoint John Cuyler, Esq., to be a member of this board, to which they unanimously agreed: on Mr. Cuyler's being made acquainted therewith, agreed to take his seat.

Samuel Shelly having been sent for and pressent, in order to inform the board of what he had heard George Ramsey say relative to the present dispute between Great Britain and the Coloneys,—

On motion made, Resolved, that the Evidence which Samuel Shelley hath to give be given upon oath, which was don accordingly.

Resolved, that John Van Driesen is appointed to be ajutent to the Schenectady Batallion of Militia.

At a meeting of the Committee, 12 Febr^{y} 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingen, Chairman,

Garret Lansing,	Jecobus Teller,
John Cuyler,	Abraham Wemple,
James Wilson,	Hugh Mitchell,
Abraham Oothout,	Harmanas Wendle.

This board having been informed that Solomon Pendelton had heard Robert Clinch makes us of som unbecoming Expressions, Resolved to send for said Pendelton to know what he hath to offer to the Board. Said Pendelton having been sent for & pressent, on motion made, Resolved, that he give in writting what he hath to offer against said Clinch, which being don and signed by him, and the board having taken the contents thereof into Consideration, and finding they do not amount, in their opinion, to a sufficency for punishment, Thereupon Resolved, that the said Certifycat be put by this board for the pressent without making any mention of it to Mr. Clinch.

Having taken into Consideration the proofs against George Ramsey, are of opinion that he is a high ofender against the American Cause, Therefore Resolved, that said Ramsey be sent to albany, there to be Confined untill the next General meeting of the Committee, then to stand trial for his offences, and that a mittimus be Emediatly wrot and sent with him, which was don, in the following words:

Committee Chamber at Schenectady, 12 feb^{ry}, 1776.

Sir,

we send you by the bearers, Moss Van Vranken and son, the body of George Ramsey, and request that you will Cause him to be Confined in the goal or place prepared for such prisoners, until the next General meeting of the Committe, before whom we will lay his Crimes.

To the Chairman
of the Committee
at Albany.

By order of the Committee.
D. V. I., Chairman.

On motion made, Resolved, that Every member of this board shall attend at the Chamber on being warned, and if inconvenient for any of them to sitt, to make there Excuse in person only,— in Cases of ajurnment, Every member to attend within fifteen minutes of the time mentioned in the ajurnment, without being warned.

Received a letter from the Committee of Albany, dated the 7th Inst., requesting to know how many slades this district will furnish for the use of the provincial trupes who are now going up to Canada, and acquainting the board that General Schuyler will allow the slades four shillings per day to pay for their provender. By said letter they also request that inquiry be made what number of troops can be raised in this district, and who will be proper persons to appoint for their officers, and to make report of the same to the Committee at their next General meeting.

Having taken the first Claus of said letter into Consideration, Resolved, that Harmanas Wendle and Abraham Wemple is appointed to be a Sub-Committee to take the sense of the people of this Town respecting the furnishing of slades, and make report of the same.

On motion made, Resolved, that Abraham Oothout and Hugh Mitchell is appointed to be a sub-committee from this board to attend at the general meeting of the Committee at albany the 15th Inst.

At a meeting of the Committee, 13th feb'ry, 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingen, Chairman,

Abraham Oothout,	Jecobus Teller,
John Cuyler,	James Wilson,
Harmanas Wendle,	Hugh Mitchell,
Abraham Wemple.	

The board having taken into Consideration the appointment of officers to command what troops may be raised in this district, and having thought John A. Bradt a fit person for the Command of a Company; but said Bradt being at present in Canada on a trading plan, Therefore Resolved, that John Cuyler & Abraham Wemple is appointed to be a sub-Committee to wait on Mrs Bradt to know her sentiments of the Matter and when she expects her husband hom, and make report of the same.

At a meeting of the Committee, 14th febry 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingen, Chairman,

Abraham Wemple,
Harmanas Wendle,
John Cuyler,
James Wilson.
Abraham Oothout,
Jecobus Teller,
Hugh Mitchell,

The Sub-Committee appointed to wait on Mrs Brat report that she doth not know when her Husband will be hom,— that for her part she doth not aprove of his going into the army, tho he always did as he pleased. She was of opinion that he would not axcept of a Commission,— that he was ill used last year in that respect; and farther, that he intended to wait and retaile his Cargo in Montreal if he did not meet with a good market for it by wholesale.

Having taken said report into Consideration, and Expecting that a Company will be requested to be raised in this district, thereupon Resolved, that John A. Bradt be recomended for Captain, Solomon Pendleton for first Lieut. & David Bates for 2d Lieut. But in case said troops are to be Emediately raised, and that the officers be now Commissioned, Resolved, that Jells Wolket be recomended for to be Captain in the room of John A. Bradt.

On motion made, Resolved, that Messrs Oothout and Mitchell take with them to Albany, the affidavits of William Murray & Robert John Donaldson against Joseph Kingsley, and the affidavits of William Murray & Samuel Shelly against George Ramsey, in order to prosecute said Kingsley & Ramsey, before the General Committee.

At a meeting of the Committee, 17th febry 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingen, Chairman,

James Wilson,
Garret Lansing,
Abraham Wemple.
Abraham Oothout,
Hugh Mitchell,

Received a letter from General Schuyler, dated the 16th of this Inst., informing this board that he will want fifty or sixty men the ensuing summer to be employed as laborers and battaumen on Lakes George & Champlain, and desires to know if they Can be got here, and at what rate. The board

having taken said letter into Consideration, Resolved, that advertisements be Emediately struck up on some of the most publick places in the Town, Desiring those who have a mind to engage in such service to give in their proposels to the Chairman on or before the 25th of this Inst.

On motion made, Resolved, that the letter from General Schuyler be answered, which was don in the following words:

Schenectady Committee Chamber, 17th febry 1776.

Hond Sir,

We recd your favour of the 16th Inst., and are much obliged to you for your offer of preference to the battaumen of this place: we will inquire what hands we Can ingage and at what Price, as soon as possible and acquaint you theirwith. We are, with the greatest respect, &C. &C.

By order of the Committee.

To D. V. I., Chairman

The Honorable Philop Schuyler, Esqr
Major General at Albany.

At a meeting of the Committee, 24th febry 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingen, in the Chair.

Garret Lansing,
Albert Mabey,
James Wilson,
Abraham Oothout,
Hugh Mitchell.
Jecobus Teller,
Harmanas Wendle,
Christopher Yates,
John Cuyler,

On motion made, Resolved, that Abraham Oothout and Christopher Yates is appointed to be a Sub-Committee to Colect the donations subscribed by the Inhabitants of this place for the purpose of paying slades to Carry troopes from albany to Lake George.

On motion made, Resolved, that John Cuyler and Christopher Yates is appointed to be a Sub-Committee from this board to attend at the next General meeting of the Committee at Albany, the 29th Inst.

The board having made the necessary inquiry respecting battaumen, Resolved, that a letter be wrot to General Schuyler acquainting him of the terms they will ingage for, which was don in the following wordes:

Schenectady Committee Chamber, 24th febr 1776.

Hond Sir:

agreeable to your request, we have made inquirey Concerning the battaumen, and are of opinion that we shall be able to ingage them here for about four pounds five shillings per month.

we shall be glad to know if you intend to appoint a Captain or overseer over them; if so, what his wages will be, and when they enter into pay. your answer, with the particular Terms under which the Battaumen is to be ingaged will greatly oblige.

To
the Honorable
Philop Schuyler, Esqr
Major General
at Albany.

Hond Sir, &c. &c
By order of the Committee,
D. V. I., Chairman.

At a meeting of the Committee, 28 febry 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingen, in the Chaire,

Garret Lansing,
Harmanas Wendle,
Abraham Wemple,
Abraham Oothout,
Hugh Mitchell,
Albert Mabey.

A letter and recruiting warrant from General Schuyler to Ahasueras Wendle, as Ensign, having been delivered to this board by Cornelious Van Dick, Thereupon Resolved to send for Ahasueras Wendle and deliver to him said letter and warrant: said Wendle having been sent for and pressent, refused to axcept of the warrent.

The board having taken the refusal of Ahasueras wendle into Consideration, Resolved to recommend Solomon Ter Willega as a fit person to fill up the place of said Wendle. Ter Willega having been sent for and pressent, also refused axcepting of the warrent.

At a meeting of the Committee, 29th febry 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingen, in the Chair,

Abraham Wemple,
Albert Mabey,
Garret Lansing,
Abraham Oothout.

The board having again taken into Consideration Ahasueras Wendle's Refusel of the warrent, and being aprensive that the service may suffer for want of an officer to fill up that rank, Resolved, to make John Denney an offer of a recommendation for said warrent. Said Denney having been sent for and pressent, upon being asked if he would axcept of an Ensignsey in the Continental service, he answered that he would. Thereupon Resolved, to recommend him to General Schuyler, in the room of ahasueras wendle, and that a letter be wrot for that purpose, which is in the following words:

Schenectady Committee Chamber, 29th febry 1776.

Hond Sir,

The warrent you sent to Ahasueras Wendle, of this place, he hath Returned to this board, and says he Cannot axcept of it. He was recommended without his knowledge, by a sub-committee from this board at a General meeting of the Committee at Albany, who did not know that any Ensigns was to be appointed untill they went there. We herewith return you the warrant, and beg leave to recommend the bearer of this, John Denney, as a fit person for that warrent. We are,

Hond Sir, &C. &C.
By order of the Committee,
D. V. I., Chairman.

To
The Honorable Philop Schuyler, Esqr
Major General at
Albany.

Jacob Vrooman waited on this board and informed us that General Schuyler desires to know what was done respecting the battaumen.

On motion made, Resolved, that another letter be wrot to General Schuyler, and sent by Express, which was don in the following words:

Schenectady Committee Chamber, 29th febry 1776.

Honored Sir,

we Just now received your message by Jacob Vrooman, desiring us to acquaint you what we have don Respecting the Battaumen. we beg leave to inform you that we have made inquiry, and find that the number of men may be got here for about four pounds five shillings per month: they are desirous to know if there will be a Captain, or other officers appointed over them.

we wrote to you the 24th Inst., on this subject, which we are sorry have not Come to hand,— we send this by Express.

At a meeting of the Committee, the 1st March, 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingen, in the Chaire,

Harmanas Wendle,	Abraham Oothout,
Christopher Yates,	Albert Mabey,
Abraham Wemple,	John Cuyler,
Jecobus Teller,	Hugh Mitchell.

The sub-Committee being returned from Albany, delivered to the board warrents from the provincial Congress for the following persons: viz., John A. Bradt, Captain; Solomon Pendelton, 1st Lieut.; David Bates, 2d Lieut.; Christopher Peek, Ensign.

The Board being informed that John A. Bradt and David Bates is both absent, Resolved to send for Solomon Pendelton & Christopher Peek, and deliver them their warrents, which was don accordingly.

At a meeting of the Committee, 3d March, 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingen, in the Chaire,

Garret Lansing,	Henry Glen,
Jecobus Teller,	John Cuyler,
Harmanas Wendle,	James Wilson,
Hugh Mitchell,	Christopher Yates,
Abraham Oothout.	

Recd a letter from General Schuyler of this day's date, in which he says that he hath been informed that Vrooman and Conan hath ingaged a number of weevers, Blacksmiths, and other Tradesmen to go as carpenters to Lake George, so betrayed the Confidence Reposed in them; and requesting this board, together with such members of the provincial Congress as may be in Town, to Examen into the matter, and appoint such persons as they think fit; and if said Vrooman and Conant should not be willing to go as overseers over the men this Committee shall appoint, to discharge them and appoint others in their place, and send them to Fort George with the utmost Dispatch; also, to nominate three persons to Command, Each of them, a Company of Battaumen.

The board having taken the first clause of said letters relative to the carpenters into Consideration, Resolved, that Vrooman and Conant be sent for and desired to lay their lists of the persons they engaged before this board, which was don accordingly: it appeared to be Just as had been Represented to General Schuyler.—Resolved, that a list be made out of such Carpenters as this board shall think proper persons to be Employed at this time, and given to Vrooman & Conant, and desire them to warn all the persons mentioned in said list to appear at this Chamber to-morrow at ten o'Clock.

On motion made, Resolved, that no person be Employed in this Company of Carpinters, who have not signed the General association before the date of this Resolve.

At a meeting of the Committee, 4 March, 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingen, in the Chaire,

Garret Lansing,
Harmanas Wendle,
Jecobus Teller,
Hugh Mitchell,
Abraham Oothout.
Henry Glen,
John Cuyler,
James Wilson,
Christopher Yates,

The master carpenters having been sent for, appeared with the men, as per list given them last night.

Daniel Conan refused to go as an overseer,— the board took the refusal of said Conan into Consideration, and Resolved that Ahasueras Merselis is appointed to be an overseer, in the room of Daniel Conan.

On motion made, Resolved, that the arrangement of the Carpenters is now Completed as per article signed by them, agreeable to General Schuyler's letter, and that they set out to-morrow for Fort George.

On motion made, Resolved that they be allowed to Employ four slades, to Carrey their tooles & baggage.

The board having taken into Consideration the nomination of persons to be overseers of Battaumen, Resolved, that Garret G. Lansing, William Peters, and John Canaut is appointed to be overseers of the Battaumen, and that they be recommended to General Schuyler as such.

On motion made, Resolved, that a letter be wrot to General Schuyler to mention the names of the persons nominated by this board to be overseers of the Battaumen, and inclose to him the agreement signed by the Carpinters, which was don in the following words:

Schenectady Committee Chamber, 4th March, 1776.

Hond Sir,

we herewith send you the articles signed by the carpenters whom we have Employed, also the article signed by those in albany,— Mr. Conant refused to serve: we have appointed Ahasueras Merseles in his steed, and we are of opinion the service will not suffer by the change,— they are all to set off to-morrow for fort George.

In Consequence of your message to us by Henry Glen, Esqr we have appointed John Canoot, William Peters, & Garret Lansing to be overseers of Battaumen, and have ordered them to wait on you with this for your further instructions. we are, &C. &C.

To
The Honbl Philop Schuyler, Esqr
Major General at
Albany.

By order of the Committee.
H. M., Clerk.

On motion made, Resolved, that this board do not break up for the future untill the proseedings of the day be entered and red by the Clerk.

At a meeting of the Committee, 5th March, 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingen, in the Chaire,

Harmanas Wendle,
Jecobus Teller,
John Cuyler,
James Wilson,
Abraham Oothout,
Hugh Mitchell.

Abraham Fundau, Daniel De Graf, and Peter Feder waited on the board, and gave it as their opinion that two of the persons nominated to be overseers of the Battaumen; viz., William Peters & Garret Lansing, were too young to fill that station, and that the service would suffer by their appointment.

On motion made, Resolved, to postpon the Consideration of this matter untill a fuller board.

At a meeting of the Committee, 5th March, 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingen, in the Chaire,

Garret Lansing,
Harmanas Wendle,
Abraham Oothout,
John Cuyler,
James Wilson.
Jecobus Teller,
Christopher Yates,
Hugh Mitchell,
Abraham Wemple,

The board having taken into Consideration the opinion of Abraham Funda, Daniel De Graf and Peter Feder, Respecting the persons nominated to be overseers of the battaumen, Resolved that the persons Complained of are fit for that service, and shall be Continued.

On motion made, Resolved, that Abraham Wemple and John Cuyler is appointed to acquaint Abraham Funda, Daniel De Graf & Peter Feder with this Resolve.

Having taken the present state of the Militia of this Town into Consideration, and foreseeing that dificualtys may arise from the officers' want of Commissions, should any alarm happen; Thereupon Resolved, that Henry Glen, Esq. be requested to aply to the provincial Congress for the following Commissions: one for Lieut Colonel Yates, one for Second Major Mindert M. Wemple, one for ajutant John Van Driesen, one for Quartermaster John Post, & Blankes for three Captains and Eleven Subalterns.

At a meeting of the Committee, 11 March, 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingen, in the Chaire,

Christopher Yates,
James Wilson,
Abraham Wemple,
Harmanas Wendle,
Hugh Mitchell,
Garret Lansing,
John Cuyler,
Abraham Oothout,
Albert Mabey,
Jecobus Teller.

Recd a letter from General Schuyler of this day's date, along with his instructions for the officers of Battaumen, which he desires to be delivered to them, and to urge them to make dispatch in recruting; and that by a letter from General Washington, in which he says that he hath been informed

that John Duncan hath got three hundred stand of armes: he requests this board to Examin into this matter, and if Duncan hath any quantity of armes to inquire the price of them and acquaint the General thereof.

On motion made, Resolved, that James Wilson and Harmanus Wendle is appointed to be a sub-committee from this board to make inquiry of John Duncan respecting the arms.

The board being informed that Christopher Peek desired to resign his warrent as Ensign on account of his father's displeasure at him for axcepting of it, Resolved to send for Christopher Peek, which having been don, and pressent, Delivered up his warrent, which this board axcepts of. Resolved, that Messrs Taylor & Wendle is appointed to attend at Albany to meet the Committee, 29th Inst.

At a meeting of the Committee, 30th March, 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingen, in the Chaire,

John Cuyler,
Garret Lansing,
Jecobus Teller,
Abraham Wemple.
James Wilson,
Christopher Yates,
Hugh Mitchell,

This board having been informed that Derick Groat had been to albany with a petition to General Schuyler from a number of battaumen representing that they would ingage in the service if the General would allow them five shillings per day, and that on Derick Groat's return he should have told the battaumen that General Schuyler said he had no obgections to the proposels if the Committee approved of it.

On motion made, Resolved, to send for Derick Groat, which being done and pressent, says that he never made any such report: acknowledges that he waited on General Schuyler with a list of a number of men that were willing to engage in the service on the aforementioned terms, and that General Schuyler tould him that the Committee had appointed three overseers, and that he Expected to get men Enoug for the wages he had offered.

The board having been informed that Adam Kittle had heard Derick Groat say something about this matter, Resolved to send for him, which being don and pressent, Resolved that he be Examined upon oath; which being also don, it appears from the Evidence of said Kittle that Derick Groat had tould him that General Schuyler had no obgections to their proposels if

the Committee aproved of them, which, by the Decleration of said Groat before this board, appears to be Evidently fals that General Schuyler ever tould him any such thing.

Binjamin yong waited on the board and made the following Complaint: that Lieu[t] Bates had enlisted a Brother of his, for whom he was guardian and had made a sum of money, and that Bates had promised the boy at the time he enlisted that if his brother Binjamin was dissatisfyed that he would let him free; and that tho he, the said Binjamin, for sundry reasons was unwilling that the boy should go into the service, Lieu[t] Bates would not dismiss him.

The board having taken said Complaint into Consideration, Resolved that they cannot interfer in this matter, as there interfering might be looked on as a Discuragement to recruting.

At a meeting of the Committee, 30 March, 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingen, in the Chaire,

Garret Lansing,	John Cuyler,
Jecobus Teller,	Abraham Oothout,
Christopher Yates,	Hugh Mitchell.

Aran Merseles appeared before this board and made the following Complaint: That the pole kep for the Chusing of officers by Abraham Wemple, at the Widow Vrooman's, the 10[th] day of febr[y] last, was not regorley kep, and that he would make the same appear by Evidence.

The board having taken said Complaint into Consideration, Resolved, to desire Merselis to bring his Evidence to prove the charge, which was don. John Empy appeared as an Evidence for the Complainent, but abselutely refused to give his Evidence upon oath, upon which the board Resolved, that his Evidence be not taken.

Isaac Titchenor, who was Clerk at that Election and kep said pole, appeared as an Evidence, and being sworn, Deposeth and Saith, that the pole he kep at the widow Vrooman's the 10[th] febr[y] last was a true one, and kep without any parciality.

The board having taken into Consideration the Evidence of said Titchenor relative to the keeping of said pole, Thereupon Resolved, the Complaint of Aron Marselis is altogether groundless, and without any foundation.

At a meeting of the Committee, 1st Aprl 1776:

Garret Lansing,
Jecobus Teller,
James Wilson,
Harmanas Wendle,
Abraham Wemple.
Christopher Yates,
John Cuyler,
Hugh Mitchell,
Abraham Oothout,

The sub-committee being Returned from the General meeting of the Committee at Albany, laid before this board a Resolve of said Committee of the 29th March, made for the Chusing of twelve members to represent the City and County of albany in provincial Congress for twelve months, the Election for said members to be held the third tuesday of this month: also, a Resolve of said Committee for the Chusing of new Committees in the different districts of this county, and that the Election for said committees be held in the differant districts the first Tuesday in May next.

At a meeting of the Committee, 8 Aprl 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingen, in the Chaire,

Garret Lansing,
John Cuyler,
Harmanas Wendle,
Albert Mabey.
Christopher Yates,
Abraham Oothout,
Hugh Mitchell,

On motion made, Resolved, that advertisements be Emediately struck up on the most publick places in this Town, desiring all persons intituled to vote for Delegates to attend at the House of William White, on Tuesday, the 16th Inst., for the purpose of Chusing twelve members to represent the City and County of Albany in provincial Congress, agreeable to a Resolve of said Congress.

On motion made, Resolved, that Derick Van Ingan & Abraham Wemple is appointed to be a Sub-Committee to attend at the General meeting of the Committee at Albany the 11th Inst.

A a meeting of the Committee, 10th Aprl 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingen, in the Chaire,

Abraham Wemple,	Harmanas Wendle,
Garret A. Lansing,	Jecobus Teller,
James Wilson,	Christopher Yates,
John Cuyler,	Albert Mabey.

The board having taken into consideration the appointment of a Captain to the Company now raising in the district, Resolved, that the appointment of a Captain for said Company cannot with propriety be any longer delayed; and as John A. Bradt, whom the board intended to make an offer of this Commission to is not yet come home, Resolved, that an offer of said commission be made to Garret S. Veder, Junr.

Said Garret S. Veder Junr having been sent for and pressent, and made acquainted with the above resolve, axcepted of said commission.

At a meeting of the Committee, 12 Aprl 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingen, in the Chaire,

Garret A. Lansing,	Jecobus Teller,
James Wilson,	Albert Mabey,
John Cuyler,	Christopher Yates,
Abraham Oothout,	Harmanas Wendle.

Lieutenants Pendelton & Bates, & Ensign Snow applyed to this board for leave to resign their warrents, and gave for their reasons that the men were mutinous and dissatisfyed at Garret Veder's being appointed to be their Captain.

Mr Pendelton being Examined relative to what money he had drawn on account of his recruting, acknowledged that he had receved two hundred dollars from the paymaster's clerk, on Mr Christopher Yates asuring the Clerk that Mr Pendelton was a recruting officer for this District.

On motion made, Resolved, that the farther consideration of the above Gentlemen's request be put of untill there is a full board, to-morrow.

Information being given to this board that Nicholas Stephens is gon up the North River to Trade without a Certifycat from this board,

On motion made, Resolved, that a letter be wrot to General Schuyler, who is now on his way to Ticanteroga, to acquaint him of the proceedings and character of said Stephens, on which was don in the following words:

Schenectady Committee Chamber, Aprl 12th 1776.

Hond Sir,

Information being given to this board that Nicholas Stevens, Indian Trader of this place, is gone up to the northward, and that he hath obtained a pass from you; if so, we are of opinion he must have by some means or other imposed upon you, as he had no Certifycat from this board: he hath never signed the General association, nor hath never appeared in favour of the General Cause of American liberty while here,— we are informed that he is gon in partnorship with Garret Rosebom, of Albany. we are, Hond sir.

To

The Honorable
Philop Schuyler, Esqr
major General.

At a meeting of the Committee, 13th aprl 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingen, in the Chaire,

Garret Lansing,	John Cuyler,
Jecobus Teller,	Christopher Yates,
Albert Mabey,	James Wilson,
Harmanas Wendle,	Hugh Mitchell.

Lieut Pendelton & Bates, & Ensign Snow appeared before this board and delivered up their warrents.

The above Gentlemen, on a second Consideration, and after some Conversation with Capt Veder, waited again on the board and requested that their warrents might be returned to them. The board having taken said request into consideration, Resolved, that the warrants be returned to them, after giving them a Caution respecting their future beheveour.

James Ellice aplyed to this board for a Certifycat of his Character to General Schuyler, in order to obtain a pass from him to go up the country.

The board having taken into consideration the request of Mr Ellice, Resolved, that on his taking the following affidavit,— that the Trade he Carreys on here, and that he intends to carrey on, if permitted, up the country, is entirely on his own aecount, and that he is no ways bound to give or be

accountable to either James Phyn or Alexander or Robert Ellice for any part of the profites arising from said Trade, he be furnished with a certifycat.

James Ellice having been sent for and pressent, on being asked if he Coold take an affidavit to y^e^ same purport of this Resolve, to which he answered he would freely do it.

On motion made, Resolved, that an affidavit be drawn in writing and that M^r^ Ellice be sworn, which being don before John Cuyler, Esq., Resolved, that the following Certifycat be given to him.

This is to certify, that the bearer, M^r^ James Ellice, hath signed the General association, and hath not to our knowledge don anything against the american Cause of liberty.

Given under my Hand,

Schenectady, 13 aprl., 1776. D. V. I., Chairman.

James Ellice informed the board that his brother Robert intends going up the Country this spring, and that he intends sending his clerk, George Forseth, up the country.

The board being aprehensive that they by some indirect methodes might obtain a pass, thereupon Resolved, that a letter be wrote to General Schuyler, informing him of their Characters Respecting the present dispute between Great Britain & america, which was don in the following words:

In Committee Chamber at Schenectady, 13 apr^l^ 1776.

Hon^d^ Sir,

James Ellice, who was just now with this board and obtained a Certifycat that he hath signed the General association, informed us that his brother Robert Ellice, intends going up the Country to settle his bussiness there, and that James Ellice intends to send his clerk, George Forseth, up the country,— we beg leave to acquaint you that neither of the above named persons hath ever signed the General association, and we look on them to be Enemys to the american Cause of liberty.

To We are, &c.

The Honorable
Philop Schuyler, Esq^r^
Major General.

At a meeting of the Committee, 15th aprl 1776.

Present.

Derick Van Ingen, in the Chaire,

John Cuyler,
Garret Lansing,
James Wilson,
Hugh Mitchell,
Harmanas Wendle,

Mr Garret Lansing Junr aplyed to this board for party of men to go after and assist him in aprehending some of his men that are deserted.

The board having taken said aplication into Consideration, Resolved to give him an order to Capt Garret Veder for three men of his Company to go after said deserters, which was don accordingly.

At a meeting of the Committee, the 16 aprl 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingen, in the Chaire,

Garret A. Lansing,
Abraham Wemple,
John Cuyler,
James Wilson,
Jecobus Teller,
Albert Mabey,
Abraham Oothout,
Christopher Yates,
Harmanas Wendle,

This being the day appointed for the Chusing of twelve delegates to represent the City and County of albany in provincial Congress, therefore Resolved, that a pole be opened for that purpose: which being don, and votes Called in until seven O'Clock in the Evening, when proclamation at the door, and no more voters apeared; upon which Resolved, that the pole be Closed, which was don accordingly.

At a meeting of the Committee, 17 aprl 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingen, in the Chaire,

Abraham Wemple,
James Wilson,
Jecobus Teller,
Albert Mabey,
Hugh Mitchell.
Christopher Yates,
John Cuyler,
Garret Lansing,
Abraham Oothout,

Received a letter from Daniel Campbell, Esq^{r}., requesting a recomendation from this board in order to obtain a pass from General Schuyler to send goods up the Country to Mess^{rs} Andrews and Meldrum.

The board having taken the above request into Consideration, Resolved that M^{r} Campbell cannot have a recommendation from this board to General Schuyler, and that he be made acquainted of this Resolve by a letter from the board, which was wrote in the following words:

Schenectady, 17th apr^{l} 1776.

Sir,

yours of this day's date is now before us, and have duly considered the contents thereof, and are unanimously of opinion that this board cannot recomend you to the General to obtain a pass.

By order of the Committee.

To Daniel Campbell, Esqr.

At a meeting of the Committee, 22^{d} apr^{l} 1776: [1]

Present.

Derick Van Ingan, in the Chaire,

Jecobus Teller, Christopher Yates,
Harmanas Wendle, Albert Mabey,
Hugh Mitchell.

This board being informed that Robert Ellice was gon up the Mohak River in order to proceed up the country: —

The board having taken said Report into Consideration, Resolved to Enquire of James Ellice what are his brother's Intentions. James Ellice having been sent for and pressent, Informed the board that his brother was gon up the River to engage Battaumen, and that he would return this Evening or to-morrow.

At a meeting of the Committee, 22^{d} apr^{l} 1776: [1]

Present.

Derick Van Ingan, in the Chaire,

Jecobus Teller, Hugh Mitchell,
Abraham Oothout, James Wilson,
Abraham Wemple, John Cuyler,
Albert Mabey.

[1] References to transactions of this meeting placed under 17th by Sanders.

Henry Millen[1] & John Jeffreys Made aplication to this board for passports to go down the Country.

The board taking said aplication into consideration, Resolved to give said Millen & Jeffreys passports.

At a meeting of the Committee, 22d aprl 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingan, in the Chair,

Christopher Yates,
James Wilson,
Albert Mabey,
John Cuyler,
Harmanas Wendle.
Jecobus Teller,
Abraham Oothout,
Abraham Wemple,
Hugh Mitchell,

James Stewart, Charles Marten & John Robison made aplication to this board for Certifycats in order to obtain passports from General Schuyler to go up the Country.

The board having taken into consideration the aplication of the above persons, Resolved, that a Certifycat be given to Each of them, mentioning that they have not signed the General association, but in other respects have appeared to be true frends to the American Cause.[2]

Robert Ellice & Charles Morrison made aplication to this board for Certifycats in order to obtain passports to go up the Country.

The board having taken into Consideration the aplication of said Ellice & Morrison, and being of opinion that they are both Enemys to the Caus of American liberty, as nothing to the Contrary hath com to the Knowledge of the board, thereupon Resolved, that they Cannot have Certifycats from this board.

Andrew Mcfarlan made aplication to this board for a Certifycat in order to obtain a pass to go up the Country.

The board having taken into Consideration the aplication of Andrew Mcfarlan, Resolved, that a Certifycat be given to him, the same as the president sent to this board by General Schuyler.

On motion made, Resolved, that John Cuyler and Abraham Oothout be a sub-committee from this board to attend at a General meeting of the Committee at Albany the 25th Inst.

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[1] Sanders: Miller. The name does not occur in Hanson.

[2] Sanders writes Robinson instead of Robison and adds Andrew McFarlan to the list, omitting the separate paragraph relating to the latter.

At a meeting of the Committee, 24th aprl 1776.

Present.

Derick Van Ingan, in the Chaire,

Albert Mabey,
James Wilson,
Abraham Oothout,
Jecobus Teller,
Abraham Wemple.
Christopher Yates,
John Cuyler,
Harmanas Wendle,
Hugh Mitchell,

Robert Ellice & Charles Morrison made aplication to this board for a hearing before the board.

This board having taken the aplication of said Ellice and Morrison into Consideration, Resolved, that they be sent for to hear what they have to offer.

Robert Ellice having been sent for and pressent, informed the board that he wanted leave to go up the Country in order to Collect debts due to Phyn Ellice and partners, and that he was a real frend to the American Cause of liberty; and that his only reason for not signing the association and appearing openly in the Cause was that he had a Great deal of property up the Country, and that he was affraid his signing the association, or being known to Conside with the pressent measures Carried on in america might be a detriment to him in the settling of his bussiness up the Country.

The board having taken into Consideration the Contents of what Mr. Ellice had said, Resolved to draw up an affidavit in writting, setting forth that he has been and is still a true frend to the american Cause of liberty, and that what he hath towld the board was his whole reason for not signing the General association, and apearing openly a frend to the American Cause.

The affidavit being drawn, and Mr Ellice Called in and shown said affidavit, he said he was willing to swar to it. The board thereupon Resolved, that John Cuyler, Esqr take the affidavit of Robert Ellice, which being don, the board thereupon Resolved, that a Coppy of said affidavit be inclosed in a letter from this board to General Schuyler for his Consideration — the letter to be in the following words:

Schenectady, 24th aprl 1776.

Honored Sir,

Mr Robert Ellice aplyed to this board for a Certifycat in order to obtain a pass to go up the Country to Colect debts due to himself, his brother, Alexander Ellice, and James Phyn. James Phyn hath resided for some time past in England: Alexander Ellice, who went also to England last fall, we know

to be an open Enemy to the american Cause, for he harangued & discoreged the people in street last spring from Chusing a Committee, when they were met for that purpose. we here inclose you a Coppy of an affidavit which Robert Ellice hath this day made before us, and must beg to leave the matter farther to your Consideration. I am, Hon^{d} Sir, &c., &.

By order of the Committee.
H. M., Clerk.

To
The Honorable
Philop Schuyler, Esq^{r}
Major General.

Charles Morrison being called in, informed the board that he wanted a Certifycat in order to obtain a pass to go up the country, and said he thought he ought to be put on a futting with others who had not signed the association and he had been informed was to have Certifycats from this board.

On his being asked by a member of the board if he would swer that he was a frend to the American Cause, he said he would not. The Board thereupon Resolved that M^{r} Morrison Cannot have a Certifycat.

At a meeting of the Committee, 27th apr^{l} 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingan, in the Chaire,

Albert Mabey,
James Wilson,
John Cuyler,
Christopher Yates,
Hugh Mitchell.
Abraham Wemple,
Abraham Oothout,
Jecobus Teller,
Garret Lansing,

The sub-committee being returned from Albany, laid before this board a Resolve of the Committee for the City and County of Albany, made at the General meeting the 26th Ins^{t} that Joseph Kingsley & George Ramsey pay the charges this board was at on account of their imprissonment in february last, to this board. on motion made, Resolved, that said Kingsley & Ramsey be sent for and ordered to pay the following sums: viz., Kingsley twenty shillings, for a slade and two men to carry him from here to Albany; Ramsey sixteen shillings, for a slade and one minute man to carry him to Albany. having been both sent for and pressent, and made acquainted with the above Resolve, Ramsey promised to pay his part to the Chairman by Saterday next: Kingsley absolutely refused to pay his part of said charges, upon which it is Resolved, that if said Kingsley do not pay his part of said charges to the

Chairman by nine o'clock on Monday next that he, the said Kingsley be sent to prison in albany, there to remain untill he pay said sum, together with what charges may arise on account of his second imprisonment.

On motion made, Resolved, that a letter be wrot to the Chairman of the Committee of albany, to know what regulations that board hase made Respecting the prices of goods, which was don in the following words:

C. Chamber, Schenectady, 27th Aprl 1776.

Sir: The Bohea Tea being regulated by a resolve of the Honorable Continental Congress, in which Resolve the other Teas & goods, our sub-committee informes us, that you have regulated the prices of other goods; we should be glad to have a coppy of your resolve and regulation respecting the same. I am,

By order of the Committee.
D. V. I., Chairman.

To Abm Yates, Esqr
Chairman of the Committee
of Albany.

On motion made, Resolved, that advertisements be put up on the most public places in this district, desiring all the male inhabitants that are of full age and have resided three months in this district to attend on the first Tuesday in May next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at the House of William White, then and there to elect and chuse eleven persons to be a Committee of Correspondence, safety and protection for this District, for six months and no longer, to take their seats the fourth Tuesday in May next.

At a meeting of the Committee, the 29th Aprl 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingan, in the Chaire,

Jecobus Teller,
Harmanas Wendle,
Garret Lansing,
Abraham Wemple.
Christopher Yates,
John Cuyler,
Hugh Mitchell,

Lieut Bates waited on this board and reported that one John Jeffreys, a soldier in his company, intended to desert, and that said Jeffreys had obtained a pass from this board by which he might probibly make his escape.

The board having taken the above report into consideration, Resolved that said Jeffrey be sent for and made return the pass to the board, and be

exemined. Said Jeffreys having been sent for and pressent, delivered up the pass, but denyed his intention to desert.

Owen Owens & John Cook, soldiers in said Company, having been sent for and Exemined relative to what they knew of John Jeffreys' intention to desert, both declared that he towld them he intended to desert, and desired them to desert with him. Thereupon Resolved, that it be recomended to Lieu[t] Bates to send him to Albany, there to be keep under guard untill he is relieved by the Captain or commanding officer of the Batalion.

At a meeting of the Committee, May 1[st] 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingan, in the Chaire,

Abraham Wemple,
Albert Mabey,
James Wilson,
Garret Lansing,
Harmanas Wendle,
Jecobus Teller,
Hugh Mitchell,

The Chairman reported to the board that Joseph Kingsley and George Ramsey had paid the sums they were ordered by Resolve of the 17[th] of april.

Received a letter from Robert Ellice, of the 25[th] april, with the letter inclosed that was given to him for General Schuyler by this board.

Walter Swits made aplication to the board to be dismissed from Garret Veder's Company — said he was not fairly inlisted, and further said he was willing to take his oath of this; upon which Resolved, to send for Lieu[t] Bates, who inlisted him, which being done and pressent, Lieu[t] Bates offiered to make oath that said Swits was fairly inlisted; upon which Resolved, that the board do not interfere in this matter.

At a meeting of the Committee, 2[d] May, 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingan, in the Chaire,

John Cuyler,
Albert Mabey,
Garret Lansing,
Jecobus Teller,
Harmanas Wendle,

Rec[d] a letter from Walter Livingston, D. Q. Master General, requesting this board to send a number of Waggons to carrey provisions to Lake George:

having taken the purport of said letter into consideration, Resolved, that two persons be Employed to get as many waggons as they can, and that said letter be answered.

At a meeting of the Committee, 6th May, 1776:

Present.

Dirk Van Ingan, in the Chaire,

John Cuyler,
Garret Lansing,
Christopher Yates,
Abraham Wemple.
James Wilson,
Albert Mabey,
Hugh Mitchell,

Complaint being again made concerning Walter Swits that the officers of the company refused to take a sufficient man in his place, Resolved, that Abraham Wemple, Albert Mabey & John Cuyler be a Sub-Committee to settle said dispute.

At a meeting of the Committee, 7th May, 1776:

Present.

Dirk Van Ingan, in the Chaire,

Garret Lansing,
James Wilson,
Jecobus Teller,
John Cuyler,
Abraham Wemple,
Albert Mabey,
Christopher Yates,
Harmanas Wendle.

A Pole being opened for the purpose of Chusing a new Committee agreeable to advertisement of the 27th of April, and held till no more voters, the following persons were Elected by a majority of Voices; viz., Abraham Fundau, Christopher Yates, Harmanas Wendle, Albert Mabey, Isaac Vrooman, Cornelious Van Dick, John A. Bradt, Cornelious Van Slike, Cornelious Van D. Volgan, Henry Van Dreessen, & John Peek.

Complaints being made to this board that Tekeres Van Debogart hath Employed a number of carpenters that have not signed the association —

Tekeres Van Debogart having been sent for and pressent and his list examined, found he had engaged Moss Skermarhorn, William Skermarhorn and Peter S. Veder, who are all non-associatores: Resolved, that Mr Van Debogart discharge them and Employ others in their room.

Complaints being made that Docter Gill and some other Docters intends to practise Phisick in this Town, they being prissoners, Resolved, that they may give advice but not apply medicines.

On motion made, Resolved, that Harmanas Wendle & Dirk V. Ingan is appointed a sub-committee to attend at the General Meeting of the Committee at Albany the 9th Inst.

At a meeting of the Committee, 8 May, 1776:

Present.

Dirk Van Ingan, in the Chair,

Abm Wemple,	Albert Mabey,
Garret Lansing,	Harmanas Wendle,
John Cuyler,	James Wilson,
Jecobus Teller,	Christopher Yates.

Complaint having been made to this board that Cornelious Peek and son Joseph is now Employed as carpenters at Lake George and hase not signed the General association, thereupon, Resolved, that a letter be wrot to General Schuyler acquainting him of the same, and desire him to send said Peek & sone Back, which was don in the following words:

Hond Sir,

This board entred into a Resolve the 3d of March last that no carpenters should be Employed in the Continental service from this place without there first having signed the General association, which Resolve we have strictly put in forse, and has been attended with that success that upwards of sixty persons have signed the same. we being informed that Cornelious Peek and son, who went to the Lake with a compąny of carpenters from Albany before this Resolve was made, hath not signed the association although they have been both in town since we Entred into said Resolve, which causes an uneasiness in the District, therefore Beg they may be sent back, and if the service requires it we will supply their places by other good carpenters.

On motion made, Resolved, that advertisements be put up desiring all those who intend to go Battauing to the westward to attend at this Committee Chamber on tuesday, the 10th Inst., between the hours of two and six in the afternoon, in order that those who have not signed the association may then sign it under the inspection of the committee, which was don accordingly.

At a meeting of the Committee, 10th May, 1776:

Present.

Dirk Van Ingan, Chairman,

James Wilson, Jecobus Teller,
Hugh Mitchell, Christopher Yates,
Albert Mabey.

A number of Traders and Battaumen waited on this board and signed the association.

The board being informed that the General is now returned to Albany and may probebly not receive the letter wrot by the board the 8th Inst as soon as could be wished, thereupon Resolved, that a copy of said letter concerning Cornelious Peek & son be wrot to General Schuyler, now at Albany, with the following additional parregraf annexed to it, which is in the following words:

We have also to inform you that William Skermarhorn & Peter S. Feder went of to the Lake with Mr Van D. bogart without the leave of this Board: they have repeatedly refused to sign the General association; therefore beg that you will give orders that they may not be employed, and we will send others in their places, if wanted.

On motion made, Resolved, that Dark V. Ingan, James Wilson, & Hugh Mitchell is appointed a sub-committee from this board to attend at the Chamber, on munday, Tuesday & Wedensday next, from the hours of Eleven to twelve in the fore noon, to admit people to sign the association under their inspection.

At a meeting of the Committee, 13th May, 1776:

Present.

Derk V. Ingan, in the Chair,

John Cuyler, Harmanas Wendle,
Abm Wemple, Albert Mabey,
Garret Lansing, Hugh Mitchell.

On motion made, Resolved, that Albert Mabey go to Albany the 15th Inst to receive the amount of the accounts due to this board.

John B. Van Eps Junr waited on this board and complained that Capt Veder had sent a file of men to his house to take away an aprentice boy of his under pretence of being inlisted. Van Eps says that the boy is not

inlisted — that they had tould the boy to sign his hand as an Evidence to a person's inlisting then in the house, which the boy did. Upon which the board Resolved to send for Lieu[t] Bates, who knows something about this matter. Lieu[t] Bates having been sent for and pressent, acknowledged that he understood by those who were pressent that the above mentioned boy had signed the inlistment only as an Evidence; Thereupon Resolved, that the boy is not inlisted, and that he return hom with his Master.

On motion made, Resolved, that a letter be wrot to General Schuyler requesting that Ahasueras Wendle & Henry Marselis be sent from the Lake, as they have not signed the association, which was don in the following words:

In C. C. at Schenectady, 13[th] May, 1776.

Hon[d] Sir:

we beg leave to adress our selves once more on the subject of carpenters: we find upon inquirey, that Ahasueras Wendle & Henry A. Marselis, both of this place and now Employed at the Lake, have not signed the association, and to prevent that Clamour of the people here, we beg they may be both sent back.

By order of the Committee,
H. M., Clerk.

To
The Honorable
Philop Schuyler, Esq[r]
at Lake George.

At a meeting of the Committee, 15[th] May, 1776:

Present.

Dirk Van Ingan, in the Çhaire,

Ab[m] Wemple, Garret Lansing,
John Cuyler, Harmanas Wendle,
Hugh Mitchell.

Rec[d] from the Committee of Albany a Coppy of a letter from General Schuyler, dated at Fort George the 13[th] Inst., requesting all the waggons that possibly Can be sent to Carrey provision from Albany to the Lake, as our army in Canada is in great distress for want of meet.

Having taken the Contents of said letter into Consideration, thereupon Resolved, that a Coppy of said letter be Emediately sent up To Tryon County, inclosed in one from this board, which was wrot in the following words:

C. C. Schenectady, 15th May, 1776.

Gentlemen:

the inclosed is a Coppey of a letter from General Schuyler to the Sub-Committee from the City & County of Albany which we are desired to forward to you in order that you may see in what Condition Our Troops in Canada are for want of provision, and hope you will send down as many waggons as possibly Can be got.

we are, Gentlemen,
yours & C.
D. V. I., Chairman.

To
The Committee of
Tryon County.

On motion made, Resolved, that a letter be wrot to Christopher Yates desiring him to write to Mrs Yates to give the Donation in her hands to the board, who now intends to send the whole to Boston, which is in the following words:

In C. C. at Schenectady the 15 May, 1776.

Sir,

we are now to inform you that we have an oppertunity of sending the Donation money to Boston by Mr Cornelious Van D. Beregh, who is going there and will Carrey the money for a reasonable Consideration; we therefore desire that you will write to Mrs Yates to give the money in your hands to this board,— your speedy Complyance will much oblige, sir, your &C., &.

By order of the Committee,
D. V. I., Chairman.

To
Mr Christopher Yates,
at Half Moon.

On motion made, Resolved, that John Cuyler and Abraham Wemple is appointed to be a Sub-Committee to Colect the remainder of the Donation money.

This board having taken into Consideration the present necessity their is for waggons to Carrey provision from Albany to Lake George, Resolved, that no waggons be employed in Carrying any goods or stores up or down between this place and Albany for ten days from the date of this Resolve, unless they are going into the publick service: in Such Cases they may Carry a freight from here to Albany, and that this resolve be mad publick by advertisement, which was don accordingly.

On motion made, Resolved, that Mindert M. Wemple be employed to go to all the people living in the west Ina, to engage all the waggons there he possibly Can to Carry provisions from Albany to the Lake.

Albert Mabey being returned from Albany, Informed the board that be Coold not get payment of the accounts from Mr Livingston. Thereupon Resolved, that a letter be wrot to General Schuyler to inform him of the Complaints the people make for want of their money, which was don in the following words:

C. C. Schenectady the 15ht May, 1776.

Hond Sir,

we are sorry to be under the necessity of informing you that the people we Employed to go with their slades on the Expedition to Tryon County Complains much for want of their pay: we aplyed several times to Mr Livingston in the winter for payment of that amount, who tould us he had no money, which we believe was the Case; but a few days ago being informed that a large sum of publick money was come to Albany, yesterday we sent Mr Mabey, one of this board, down in order to get payment for the slades employed by us, but he Coold not get a farthing: on his representing to Mr Livingston that these amounts not being paid of was great detriment to us in getting waggons at present, was tould it was no matter, he could do without Schenectady waggons.

In the first place, we think we are ill used by Mr Livingston in this, and as it realy is a detriment to our getting waggons at present, we beg you will order said account to be paid as soon as money Can be spared. I am, &C.

By order of the Committee,

H. M., Clerk.

To

The Honorable,
Philop Schuyler, Esqr
Major General.

At a meeting of the Committee, 18th May, 1776:

Present.

Dirk Van Ingan, in the Chaire,

Albert Mabey,
James Wilson,
Garret Lansing,
Jecobus Teller,
Harmanas Wendle,
John Cuyler,
Abraham Oothout,
Hugh Mitchell.

Rec[d] a letter from Colonel Van Sleke, at Albany, dated the 17[th] Inst., in which he says that the general has ordered all the prisoners to be sent down the Country, and desires that this board will order Lieut. Spark, and Docter Gill, and the other prisoners here, immediately to Albany. the board having taken said letter into Consideration, Resolved, that the prisoners be sent for and ordered to go Emedeatly to Albany. Said prisoners having been sent for, and present, and made acquainted with the above resolve, Docter Gill and Lieu[t] Spark said they were ready to go as soon as a waggon was provided to Carrey their baggage, but that they would not go at their own Expense.

Docter Sanden informed the board that his wife, who is in Town with him, was near the time of delivery, and in such a situation that she Coold not with safety be removed, and beged leave to tarry with her for some time on that account.

The board having taken the situation of Docter Sanden's affaires into Consideration, Resolved, that a letter be wrot to Colonel Van Schaick, acquainting him with the same, and that Docter Sanden is permitted to stay untill the board gets Colonel Van Schaick's answer, which was don in the following wordes:

C. C., Schenectady, 18[th] May, 1776.

Sir, we just now rec[d] your favour of the 17[th] Inst. by Colonel Daton, and agreable to your desire, sent for Docter Gill, Lieu[t] Spark, & Docter Sanden, and desired to go Emediatly to Albany, upon which Docter Sanden informed us that his wife, who is in town with him, nearly Expects to be delivered, and in such a situation Coold not be removed with safety, upon which we gave him leave to tarry here with her untill we have your answer, and as this delay will probibly be but a few days, we think it would be rather sever to order him away before his wife is delivered, but must leave this consideration to you.

Having taken the answer of Docter Gill & Lieu[t] Spark into Consideration, Resolved, that a wagon be got to carry them and their baggage to Albany to-morrow morning, and that Colonel Van Schaick pay for the same.

Major Ganseford informed the board that Colonel Van Schaick again Desired that all the prisoners should be Emediatly sent down, upon which the board Resolved, that the above letter is not to be sent; but that Docter Sanden and servant go down to Albany to-morrow morning along with Docter Gill & Lieu[t] Spark, and at his request the following letter be wrot to Colonel Van Schaick, to represent his present situation, which was done accordingly.

C. Chamber, Schenectady, 8th [18th] 1876 [1776].

Sir, We just now recd yours of the 17th Inst., and in Complyance therewith have ordered Lieut Spack, Docter Gill, Docter Sanden & servant to go down to-morrow morning in a waggon, which we expect you to pay.

we must beg leave to observe to you that Docter Sanden's wife, who now is in Town, Expects every houre to be delivered, and in such a situation Cannot with safety be removed. as they are both strangers here, we think to order him away from her would be rather Cruel, and would beg his situation may be taken into Consideration. we must do him and the other prisoners the Justice to say that they have Conducted themselves inoffensively since they have been in this Town.

I am, &c.,
By order of the Committee,
H. M., Clerk

To
Colonel Goose Vanschaich,
at Albany.

On motion made, Resolved, that advertisements be Emediatly put up on the most publick places in this Town, to inform the publick of the names of the persons Chosen to be a Committee for this District, and the time they are to take their seates, which was don accordingly.

At a meeting of the Committee, 21 May, 1776:

Present.

Derk Van Ingan, in the Chaire,
James Wilson, Harmanas Wendle,
Abraham Wemple, Hugh Mitchell,
Garret Lansing.

Colonel White of the Jersey regiment waited on the board, and said that he was informed that Mr Delancy, of Albany, and a number of other Enemys to the Cause of liberty, are now assembled at the House of John Duncan, Esqr and is of opinion that their Counsels at present might be detrimental to the present Expedition, therefore desired to have an order from this board to send a detachment of his men to apprehend them.

The board having taken said information into Consideration, Resolved, that as Mr Duncan lives out of this district, that an order cannot be given for the above purpose; but that a letter be Emediatly wrot to the Committee of Albany, acquainting them of the information given by Colonel White.

On motion made, Resolved, that James Wilson & Harmanas Wendle is appointed a Sub-Committee from the board to wait on Colonel White and acquaint him of the above Resolve.

The Sub-Committee being returned to the board, reported that they Coold not see Colonel White, but was informed that he, with several of his officers, and a party of his men was gon up the Albany Hill, upon which we supposed him to be gon to Mr Duncan's House. Therefore Resolved, that the aforementioned letter to the Committee of Albany need not be wrot at present.

At a meeting of the Committee, 22d aprl [May] 1776:

Present.

Derk Van Ingan, in the Chaire,

Albert Mabey,	Abraham Wemple,
Jecobus Teller,	Hugh Mitchell,
John Cuyler,	Harmanas Wendle.

On motion made, Resolved, that as Abraham Oothout is now at Albany, that a letter be wrot to him desiring him to attend at the General meeting at Albany, in the name of this board, which was don in the following words:

Sir, as we now suppose you to be in Albany, beg the favour of you to attend at the General meeting in behalf of this board, as its verrey inconvenient for any of the members now to attend. you need not make any mention of the pay for Mr White's boy, as we intend to apply to the sub-committee for that, where we think we will be more likely to succeed.

By order of the Committee,

To H. M., Clerk.

Mr Abraham Oothout.

Recd a letter from John Duncan, Esqr of this day's date, in which he gives an account of the tratement he received from Colonel White, and complains much thereof, and says that Colonel White tould him that what he did was by an order from this board. Upon seeing Richard Duncan in the street, Resolved to send for him and inquire further into this matter, which being don, and present, he gave the same account of it that his faithor did; upon which the board assured Richard Duncan that what Colonel White did was not by Virtue of any order from this board.

At a meeting of the Committee, 23d May, 1776:

Present.

Derk Van Ingan, in the Chaire,

John Cuyler,
Harmanas Wendle,
Garret Lansing.
Hugh Mitchell,
Abraham Wemple,

William James brought before this board a man named Binjamen Right, who acknowledged himself to be a deserter from Captain Veder's company, and that he deserted from a guard who had him in Confinement for suspicion of theft and other misdemenors.

Resolved, that the above named Binjamen Right be Emediatly sent to Albany under a guard of two of the minute men of this Town, and that Captain Veder or the officer Commanding said Company pay each of the minute men six shillings for their Trubble, and that a letter be wrot to Capt Veder, or officer Commanding his Company at Albany, desiring his Complyance with this Resolve.

Names of the Guard:
Isaac Canoot,
Robert Smith.

At a meeting of the Committee, 24th May, 1776:

Present.

Derk Van Ingan, in the Chaire,

Albert Mabey,
Harmanas Wendle,
Garret Lansing,
Abraham Oothout,
James Wilson,
Abraham Wemple,
John Cuyler,
Hugh Mitchell.

Recd a letter from Colonel Dayton, at John's Town, of this day's date, in which he informes this board that he hase orders to aprehend John Munro, and treat him as a Common Enemy to the liberty of America, and requesting this board to aprehend him emediatly, and keep him in Closs Confinement untill he returns from Johnstown.

The board having taken the contents of said letter into Consideration, Resolved, that John Cuyler, Abraham Oothout & Albert Mabey is appointed a Sub-Committe to bring John Munro before this board to-morrow morning.

At a meeting of the Committee, 25th May, 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingan, in the Chaire,

Harmanas Wendle,	Albert Mabey,
Abraham Wemple,	James Wilson,
Jecobus Teller,	Abraham Oothout,
Hugh Mitchell,	John Cuyler.

The Sub-Committee appointed to bring John Munro before this board have now brought him; accordingly, Resolved, that said Munro be now sent to albany, under guard of a party of our minute men, there to be kep in Closs Confinement untill Colonel Dayton Returns from Tryon County, and that a Coppy of Colonel Dayton's letter, together with one from this board be sent to the Chairman & Committee of Albany, which was don in the following words:

C. C., Schenectady, May 25th 1776.

Gentlemen: the above is a Coppy of a letter we received last night from Colonel Dayton: in consequence thereof have this morning aprehended John Munro, and as we have no place of Confinement here, we now send him to you under guard, and desire you will Cause him to be kep in Confinement untill Colonel Dayton returns.

I am, &c.,
By order of the Committee,
D. V. I., Chairman.

To the Chairman &
Committee of Albany.

On motion made, Resolved, that Colonel Dayton's letter to this board be Emediatly answered, in the following words:

In Committee Chamber, Schenectady, 25th May, 1776.

Sir, we recd yours of 24th last night, and have, in Complyance therewith, this morning aprehended John Munro: he is now in Custody, and we are Just going to send him to albany, with proper Directions to the Committee, as we have no place of Confinement here.

I am, &c.,
By order of the Committee,
D. V. I., Chairman.

To
Colonel Dayton
Commander at
Johns Town.

At a meeting of the Committee, the 25 May, 1776:

Present.

Derk Van Ingan, in the Chaire,

John Cuyler,	James Wilson,
Garret Lansing,	Harmanas Wendle,
Albert Mabey,	Abraham Wemple,
Abraham Oothout,	Hugh Mitchell.

On motion made, Resolved, that the Donation money Colected in this District for the relefe of the poor of Boston, now in the hands of Hugh Mitchell, which is Eighty-Eight pounds six shillings, together with thirty-nine pounds sixteen shillings and sixpence, now in the hands of Christopher Yates, be sent to Boston by Cornelious Van Deberigh, as soon as the above sum can be received fram Christopher Yates, and that said Cornelious Van De Berigh be paid six pounds of the above sum, and sixteen shillings which Abraham Wemple is to collect from Isaac Rossa and Thadeous S^{t} John, for his trubble of Carreing the money to Boston.

On motion made, Resolved, that Hugh Mitchell is appointed to receive the money from Christopher Yates, and deliver the whole to Cornelious Van De Beregh, and take his Receipt for the same.

On motion made, Resolved, that a letter be wrot to the Committee of Safety at Boston, desiring them to Direct M^{r} Van De Beregh to who he shall deliver the money sent by him.

James Ellice made aplication to the board for a pass to go up as far as the German Flatts, to see what is become of some Battaus and goods of his which was stoped there. The board having taken into Consideration the request of James Ellice, Resolved to give him a pass for the above purpose.

On motion made, Resolved, that Harmanas Wendle is appointed to dispose of the Ball in his hands, which is 5$^{cwt.}$ 3$^{qr.}$ 0^{lb} and pay the money arising from the saile of said Balls to Margaret Van Antwerp, Excepting forty shillings of said money, which he is to pay into the hands of the succeeding Committee,— said Margaret Van Antwerp having already received that sum from this board. Resolved, that Harmanas Wendle is also appointed to receive four pounds from Frederick Visgar for Ball sold him last Summer, and pay the same to the afore named Margaret Van Antwerp.

On motion made, Resolved, that Hugh Mitchell is appointed to receive the amount due to this board for slades &c. employed in the Expedition to Johnstown last winter, and pay the same to the several people to whom its due.

On motion made, Resolved, that the following papers be delivered to the succeeding Committee; viz.— The association papers; the articles signed by the officers of Militia; a letter wrot by the reverand Mr Stewart at Fort Hunter, to John Manur at Albany; Joseph Kingsley's and George Ramsey's Bond; the affidavits of Robert & James Ellice and Lieut Pendelton; seven Resolves of the Committee of Albany; viz., one of the 27th March, two of the 29th March, two of the 12th Aprl., one of the 20th Aprl., one of the 10th May.

At a meeting of the Committee, 27th May, 1776:

Present.

Derick Van Ingan, in the Chaire,

John Cuyler,	Albert Mabey,
James Wilson,	Abraham Wemple,
Garret Lansing,	Abraham Oothout,
Harmanas Wendle,	Hugh Mitchell.

On motion made, Resolved, that the minutes and papers belonging to this board be lodged in the hands of Hugh Mitchell, and that any of the members of the new Committee may have the perusal of them at his House.

On motion made, Resolved to pay William White three pounds out of the publick money now in the hands of this board, for his boy's services in attending on the Committee; also, to pay him two pounds Eighteen shillings & Six pence out of said money, for necessaries furnished to the Indians that came to meet General Schuyler.

On motion made, Resolved, that Hugh Mitchell pay twelve pounds four shillings and sixpence to the succeeding Committee, as soon as he receives payment of the accounts due to this board, being public money in the hands of this board.

Received of Capt Cornelious Van Dick, thirty-nine pounds sixteen shillings and sixpence, being the Donation money Colected for the poor of Boston, which was in the hands of Christopher Yates.

Having sent for the members of the new Committee, and delivered up to them sundry papers, they requested to have the minutes delivered also; upon which the board Resolved they may have them to peruse for one week, upon the Chairman giving a recept to Return them to Hugh Mitchell, without taking any Coppys of them, and may at any time after, have the perusel of the minutes at his house; and if the new Committee do not Chuse to axcept of this

proposal, and Insist on having the minutes, Resolved, that it be determined by the Committee of Albany, whether the minutes is to be delivered up or not.

On Examination of the Cash in hand, the board findes there will be non left to pay William White for his boy's services in attending on the Committee, thereupon Resolved, that as soon as Hugh Mitchell gets payment of the amount due to this board for waggons &c., that he pay three pounds to William White out of said money for his boy's services.

Shilling of said money which is yet Due to the Publick be Left in the hands of Abr[m] Oothout to pay out and the Remainder to Remain in hands of this Board being £11 .. 11.

At A Meeting the 15 Janu[ry] 1777

Present

Abr[m]. Fonda Chairman

William Schermehorn	Arent V Patte
Myndert Wimpel	Myndert S T Eyck
John Roseboom	Abr[m]. Oothout

Resolved that Lawis Peek be appointed as Constable for this District to Serve by order of this Comittee and be paid reasonable for his Sarvice which he being made acquainted with and Excepted according.

At the Mething of the 3[rd] Fabruary 1777

Present

Ab[m]. Fonday Chairman

William Schermehorn	Arent N V Petten
Meynd[t]. Wemple	Nicholas Veder
Meynd[t]. S Ten Eyck	Abraham Oothout
Isaack Vrooman	John Roseboom
Henry V Dresen	

Resolved that Meynd[t]. S Ten Eyck & Nicholas Veder go to Albany for to Tend the County Committee.

[1] For account of the manuscript, see introduction.

At A Meeting of the 13 febry 1777

Abr$^{m.}$ Fonda Chairman

William Schermehorn
Wyndert [1] Wimpel
Myndert S T Eyck
Abr$^{m.}$ Oothout

One of Capt Bradts Soldiers complained to this board that the Cap$^{t.}$ ordered him to be [ready] to march[;] he told the Cap$^{t.}$ he was very willing [bu]t that he had a Sore knee yet would go as farr as he [cou]ld[;] upon this the Capt told him then he would go [ ] Slay and Drag him along[;] the man answered [ ] very well[;] then the Capt beat him [ ] Abusefull manner[.] Therefore Resolved to send for Cap^{t} Bradt and make inquiree into the matter.

At the Meting of the 18th of Fabruary 1777

Abraham Fonday Charman

Wiliam Schermehorn
Nicholas Veader
Henry V Dressen
Abraham Othout
Meynd$^{t.}$ M Wimple
Aron N V Petten
Meynd$^{t.}$ S Ten Eyck

Resolved that Meynd$^{t.}$ M Wimple Aron N V Peten must go to tend the County Comittee in Albany Tomorow

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At the meting of the 3$^{rd.}$ March

Personely Appeared

Abraham Fonday in the Chair

William Schermehorn
Nicholas Vader
Henry V. Dressen
Meynd^{t} S Ten Eyck
Isaack Vrooman
Aron N V Petten
Abraham Oothout

Resolved that John Roosboom & Henry V Dressen must go & tend the County Committee at Albany Tomorow

Also Resolved that John Babtist V Vorst be Appointed a ferrey below the Town of Schenectady & that he is to Tend said ferry at all Tims if he

[1] So in original.

thinks that he Can Croass the River & further that he must be Reasonable in his Charging the People & Also On account of An Allerm to give punctual Aten[tion]

Schenectady 21st Faby[1] 1777

At the Meting Personly Appered

Abraham Fonday Chan.

Abraham Oothout	Meyndt. M Wemple
Nicholas Veader	Meyndt. S Ten Eyck
John Rossboom	Aron N V Petten

By Virtue of A resolve before us of the Provincial Congress Concerning those People who Are under a parole; & Ord[ered] them to Appear before the Commissioners at fishkill by Name Alexander Camble Major Snell William Duncane Joseph Kinsleys & Ordered them to go & Wait on the Commissioners their Appointed.

Resolved that by a Presedent of the County Committee this Committee Shall take an Oath not to Discove[r] their Proceedings in regard to Disaffected persons that is to say if there happens to be any difference in opinion not to Disclose the same but it Shall always appear as if this Committee are unanimous in opinion about Such matters

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Schenectady 28 March 1777

At A Meeting Present

Abrm. Funda Chairman

Isaac Vrooman	John Roseboom
Nicolas Veeder	Arent V Patte
William Schermehorn	Abrm. Oothout
Myndert Wempel	

Mr John Duncan appeared before this board requested us to send a Letter to the Commissinoers at fish Kill [illegible] of his Case as he is of opinion that he is not Comprehenden in the Late Resolve of Congress altho now under perole with us, which said request being [ta]ken in Consideration Mr Vrooman assured the [boa]rd that the Chairman of the County Comm[ittee] [ ] him there was no proof against said Duncan and the Suspetion he was sent away for by said Committee the said Duncan had by his affidavit

[1] Should probably be March.

prooved to be groundless and thereupon resolved that the following Letter be sent to the Commissioners

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At an Ellection held the first tuesday in April by Virtue of a Resolve of the Convention of this State for Electing and Chusing Publick officers to serve as usual for the Insuing year the following persons were accordingly Chosen by a Majority of Votes Viz

Isaac Vrooman Supervisor

John Cuyler, Jacobus Taller } Assessors

Isaac Truax Collector

John B. Vrooman, John V Petten, Jacob Clute, Elyes Guysing[1] } overseers of the highways

John Veeder, John Stevens, William Stevens, Lancaster Conner } fire masters

Ab[m]. P. Truax, Tedeus S[t]. John, John T. Clute, Harmanus Wessell } Constables

Ab[m]. Fonday, Ab[m]. Othout } Poor masters

Christ[r]. Yates Town Clerk

Jacob Fonday, Alb[t]. Maybey } fence Vewers

Gerit S Veader, Ab[m]. P. Truax } Pound Mas[ters]

Schenectad 11[th] April 1777

at the Meting Personly Appered

Abraham Fonday Charman

Abraham Oothout
John Rosseboom
Meynd[t]. S. Ten Eyck
Nicholas Veader

Upon Information we got by Abraham V Eps Concering that a Number of Toryes a Deserted from ther familyis in Clifton park to meet Indians and

[2] Elias Van Guysling.

regulers at the Sault Spring to cut off the Inhabitants about there Resolve[d] that Two Letters be Wrote one to Bawltown a Northir to Albany

Copy of a Letter sent to Bawlton

Schenectady 11th April 1777

Sir/

We are Informed that a Number of Toryes are Deserted from their familyes from Newtown Clifton Parck & a Number out of Johnstown; they are all to Meet atogether at the Salt Spring to join a Number of Regulars & Indians & Then to Come for to Destroy the peple that Live thereabout in about three Days Time we bag that you will git your Militia Ready by to Morrow Morning; & we shall meet you at Wilson Mills at Bawltown about Twelve o Clock; be Sure & not to take a Man but what is a friend to the States

To M[r] Andrew Mitchel
at Ballstown

By Order of the Commite
A F Chairman

Schenectady 11 April 1777

Gen[t] We Just now received information that the tories are about gathering they are gone off from Clifton park Last night and by what we can find out they are to gather at the Sault Spring and there meet as is said a Number of regulars and indians in order to cut of the Inhabitants about there this by what we can find out is to be done in three or four days time we will take part of our Militia to go in persuit [of] them would be glad you would send us assistance [and] meet us to morrow at Wilsons Mill in Ball Town at the East side of the Lake wee have made application to Col[o]. Wimpel for part of the Militia he has promissed to Exert himself to git as many good Effected people as possible, we are

Gen[t]

To the Subcommittee
of the County of Albany

Your Humble Ser[t]
by order of the Com[t]
A. F. Ch

At the Meting of the 12th Inst.

Personly Apered

Abm. Fonday Charman

Nicholas Veader	William Schermehorn
John Rossboom	Meyndt. S Ten Eyck
A N V Petteen	Abm. Oothout
Meyndt. M. Wemple	

Peter Hannion Appered befor this Bord & made Othe on the Holy Avengelist of almighty God, as folows Vizt. Their is a plot forming in his Neighberhoud about Joining the Regulars when they Come Down; Philip Sharp came to him and asked him wither he Could Keep a Secred & answering him he Could then he made him Sware, & Afterwards he the said Sharp told him their was Company making up to John the Rigulars when they Come Down & the folowing persons as farr as he knows are joined in the Plot Vizt.

Daniel Hanion Sworn	Wiliam Bartin
Joseph Knap	Joseph Bartin
Albert weit	John Sharp
Francis V Dewerk	

Copy of a Letter sent to the Albany Committee

Gentlemen

We send you Peter Hanion, Michal Sharp, & Daniel Hanion, the are People, that are Concerned in the Plot Going on in Half moon District with their Crimes inclosed. we must Inform you that our Militia about one Hundred are gone after the Rest

Pr. Order

Schenectady 11th April 1777 A F Charman

At the Meeting of the 13th Instint

Personly Appeared

Abm. Fonday Chan

Abm. Oothout	Meyndt. M Wimple
Aron N V Petteen	Nicholas Veader
Meyt. S Ten Eyck	Wm. Schermehorn
John Roossboom	Isaack Vrooman

Resoved that Joseph Knap & William Bartin be sent to Albany

Sir/

Herewith send you Joseph Knap & William Bartin are taken up by information that they have Engaged to take, up arms against the Cuntry we therefore send them to you in order to have them put in Confinement untill such time as they can have a Tryal

To John Bercley Esq[r]. By order of the Commtitee
Chairman at Albany Ab[m]. Fonday Ch[n].

Schenectady 13 April 77

Capt[s] Banker and V Eps Delivered to this Committee the three following presoners Benjamin Bomp Joseph Bartin and John Sharp Resolved thereupon that they be Confined this night and committed to Albany to morrow morning and send a Commitment in the following manner

Sir/ The Bearers will Deliver you Benjamin Bomp Joseph Bartin and John Sharp who are taken up by information to us on Oath that they have Engaged to take up arms against the Contry, we therefore send them to you in order to have them put in Confinement until such time as they can have their tryal

To John Barclay Esq[r] By order of the Committee
Chairman at Albany Abr[m] Funda Ch
Schenectady 14 April 1777

By Virtue of a Resolve of the Continental Congress of the 22 August 1775 impowring the Committees of the Several Districts to Astablish whatches for the Safty of the Districts Therefore Resolved that all Persons in this Town, above the Age of Sixteen years shall watch, and that their be a watch Esteblished of One Officer & Eleven men, that such whatch begins at 9 O Clock in the Evening & Continues Till Daylight Next Morning. That the Persons Ordered to watch be warned by the Town Mayor appointed for that Purpose, & that the said Town Major attends to watch Every Evening at Ten O Clock to see if they all Appear, & Take an Account of all Persons not attending the watch, which List he is to give into the Chairmen of this Committee & such Person or Persons so Neglecting of if warned shall forfit a fine not Exceeding Twelve 12/ which shall be recovered by a Warrant of the Chairmen of this Committee

P[r]. Orders of the Committee
Schenectady 14[th] 1777. A Fond Chairman

In Committie the 19 April 1777

Resolved that the town Wach be very delegent in apprehending all Negroes that may be found to run on the Street after ten O Clock that if they take any of them up to confine them in the wach house till next morning and then their owners may releas them on paying three Shillings to the watch for Each Negro or Else they are to receive thirty Lashes on their naked back and also that the said wach be very Delegent in apprehending such pleces that Negroes may be combined together and take them in Confinement and inflict the above punishment on them, and the owner of such house where such Negroes may be found together Shall pay a fine of forty Shillings to the Officer of the wach which fine Shall be recovered by warrent from the Chairman of this or any future Committee

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At the meeting of the 19th April 77

Personly Appeared

Abm. Fonday Charman

Abm. Othout	"Abm. Othout[1]
Meyndt. S T Eyck	Nicholas Veader
William Schermehorn	Aron N V Petten
Meyndt. M Wemple	

Resolved that all such Persons as are Appoited by us to Keep A Publick House or Teveron, Attend at this House on Wednesday the 23 Inst. for to pay ther Excise & Receive Luysence Such Persons as are Appointed by us are Hereunder Mentioned as follows Vit.

Rubin Simons	Gerit Van Eps
William James	Mathew Clark
Joseph Knox	Simon Groot
Salley Culberson	Tunis Swart
Edward Earley	John Meibey
James Donlap	John B Tist Van Eps
John A Bratt	Martha Hill
Robt. Moston	

Rules and orders for the town Wach

1 The wach are to meet at 9 OClock every Eavening and whoever belongs to the wach and does not appear before ten O Clock Shall be Judged fineable

[1] Names thus repeated in original.

2d Two men belonging to the wach to go round true all the Streets in the town once every hour

3 A Centry to be fixed in the Box on the top of the wach house to be releaved once every hour

4 As the wach house will once more be made Convenient and in repair it is Expected that the wach will not abuse the same as has been Customary it is resolved that if any thing Shall broke or put out of order that the officer of the wach when the same happens shall be Liable to pay the Damages

By order of the Committee

Schenectady 19 April 1777 A Fun Ch

At A Meeting the 24 April 1777

Present

Abraham Oothout	Henry V Dressen	field officers
Meyndt. S Ten Eyck	Meyndt. M Wemple	Am. Wemple Coll
Aron N V Petten	Nicholas Veader	Am. Swits Maj.

Recd A Letter from the Committie of Albany and General Ten Brook Dated 22d Inst. Requesting this board and the field officers of this District to furnish twenty wagons to be in Sarvice a fort night and forty four men to do garrison Duty from Albany to Lake George for three weeks we to go ther with the field officers having taken said Request into Consideration Resolved thereupon that Capt Van Patte send 5 men

Capt Wauson	8
Capt. V Eps	4
Capt Mynderse	3
Capt Funda	2
Capt Banker	8
Capt Oothout	8
Capt Mersalius	7
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Lieut. V Slyck to take the Command & Abraham I Truax to go as Ensign that said Company set out on their march from this place on Saturday morning with two Days provision and the wagoners appointed to go are as follows

Myndert Wimple
Abraham Oothout
Daniel De Graff

Copy of a Letter to John Bercly of the Albany Committee & the Rest of the Gentlemen of that Board

Gen$^{t.}$

We rec$^{d.}$ yours of the 22$^{nd.}$ Ultimo and have Consulted with the field officers about the request therein mentioned & have Accordingly ordered the number of men required to go on Duty to march this morning with Two Days Provision, in regard of the Weagons you requested us to send, we had received a Letter from Col$^{l.}$ Lewis A few Days before Desiring our assistance in Procuring a Number of wagons out of our Distract, as the were much wanted we accordingly tryed all in our Power to git waggons, but the season of the year being Such at Present that our waggoners (as they Chiefly all Raise their own Grain) cant Possibly Leave home tho made Shift to git Eleven on Provising they Should only do one trip to Lake George and then Return home again, we Accordingly sent them to Col^{l}. Lewis acquainting him of our Promise to said Waggoners, On Recieving your Letter we made another Tryal true the hole Distract thinking that by warning the Militia to go on Duty, it would induce Several Rather to go with a waggon then on other Duty, but have not been able to git more then five Waggons which we now send Down if they will not anser the Present Demand from our Distract then we Expect your further Advice in this mater we are well Assured not another Waggon to be got without they are forced would be a hard Case at Presint, tho if Circ quires it must be done yet we are of Oppinion a Number of Waggons more might be had then will have finished Plowing. We hope thos Waggons we sent Col$^{l.}$ Lewis will be admitted to return home after Doing one trip as we made them such promise we are

Waggoners names

Gen^{t} your very H^{l} Serv
By order of the Com^{t}

Att a Meeting 25 April 1777

Present

Myndert M Wempel Chair$^{n.}$ P. T.

		Field officers
Hendrick V Driese	Abraham Oothout	Col^{o} Wempel
Myndert S Ten Eyck	John Roseboom	Major Swits

Colo Wimpel acquainted this board that he ordered the officer of his regiment to warn the Number of men required to go on duty, that they Should appear at his dore this morning 8 O Clock, and that he rec$^{d.}$ a Return from

said officers, that the men were warned accordingly, and that the greatest part of the men have not appeared which matter this board Jointly with the field officers have taken into Consideration and thereupon Resolved that those person that have neglected to appear Having been duly warrend Shall be Emediately fined for ten Shillings Each And be warned again to apear at the Captains Dore on monday 8 OClock in the morning acquipt to go on garison duty as before and if they or any of them neglect to appear then they Shall be fined for twenty Shillings Each and ordered again to appear the same day One OClock in the after noon which if they neglect again they are to be Sent to Close Confiniments

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At the meeting of the 28th April 1777

Personly Appered

Abraham Fonday Chairman

Abraham Othout	Nicholas Vader
William Shermehorn	John Rossboom
Meyndt. M Wemple	Meyndt. S Ten Eyck
Henry Van Dreessen	

Field officers

Col. Abm. Wemple

Major Abm. Swits

As it appears that those people that have refuesed to go on Duty cant be made willing by fining them, and we have no proper presedent before us what Should be done with them further, therefore Resolved that the following Letter be sent to the Committee of Albany to know their Resolution on this Matter

Gent.

Colo Wimpel informs us that he has ordered the Number of men you Requested out of out District to go on Garison Duty that only 22 men with officers included appeared which set out on Saturday and Eight more who Lived out of town and had no proper warning will set out to morrow the rest are unwilling to go their Officers have fined them all but it does not in the Least alter their resolution they are Still unwilling to go, the Colo. says that he does not know of any propor Step to take with these people next, has made application to us, and says it will be in vain to warn other men to fill up their places till something further is done with those unwilling people as

they have only been fined by the 12 Article of the Resolve of the Continantal Congress Dated 22d Augt 1775 and we are at a Loss to know what should be Done with those people are Desirous to have your opinion and resolve in the matter by the bearer whome we send Express

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At a miting of the 1th Day of may 1777

Present

Abraham Fonda Chairman

John Roseboon	Myndert M. Wemple
William Schermehorn	Arent Van Peten
Nicolas Veeder	Isaac Vrooman

Resolved that Capt Wolcot nor Walter Swits Shall take John Miller as a Soldier as being a bound Sarvant and under the age of Capt. Wolcots warrent to Inlist men But to Let him peacably remaind With his Master Arent Van Petten, Further resolved that next Saterday there Shall be Sand for John Jacobus Van Vorst and John Bt. Vrooman to know how Leaths has actet about the pay of Waggons he with the militia Last fall up to fort Edward

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At a metting of May the third

Present

Abraham Fonda Chairman

Hendry Van Dressen	Nicolas Veeder
William Schermehorn	Myndert Wimple
John Roseboon	Isaac Vrooman

Appeared & was Sworn Gerrit Gerson Deposeth & Saith that about the middel of aprill he being in Compiny w Jacob Isc Truax and tacken about the present troubles with Great britain & there hath been mention that Said truax was a tore on which he answerd he was no tore but he was a man for the king and he was made prisonar by the Commitee of Schonectady but Shew a tomehaak he had fixt rady & Saith that who Ever Came to take him he would kill him

Commitee Chamber May 3th 1777

Gentln

We recd your order of the first Instant which we put Immidiately in the hand of John Vrooman Lieut. with a fyle of men to apprend John Duncan & Alexander Campbel Esquires which was porformed this morning in order to Carry them down to Albany: but by their Insisting of being not Gilty of any Crim Commited or Intended to be Commited by them Aga[inst] the united States of north amarica and provaild upon the officer to Give them Leave to See us before they where Carried Down to albany which was permited and then they Came before us and offered to take an oath to take up arms in Defince of this Contry if invaided which we take and Discharged thim as we are well Satisfied from their Conduct Since they return home that they are not Danjurus to the State therefor if any thing is Come to your knowllidge Concerning them please to Lat us have the particlurs will oblige

Gentln

Your humble

Ditto Appeard before us Alexander Campble who was Duly Sworn & Decleared Volluterely on his oath that if the County of Albany is Envaided by any enime whatsoever he would take up arms in defence thereof and that he would pay his Evedant in Suport of this Contry

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Schenectady 4th May 1777

Peronly[1] Appeared

Abm. Fonday Chairman

John Rosseboom
Meyndt. Wemple
Nicholas Veader
Aron N V Petten
Meyndt. S Ten Eyck
Henry Glen Esqr. &
Col. Abm. Wemple

Resolve that a Copy of the Letter which we Recvd. from Bawlton be sent to Albany & Johnston.

Committe Chamber the 5th. May 1777

Gentlemen

Yours By the Exspress of the 4th. Instant is duley Come to hand & have Noted the Contents. We must Inform You that we have this Morning Received a letter from the Chairmen of the Committee from Ballstown, and

[1] Personally.

Likewise Rec^{d}. a letter from Colonel Fredrick Fischer of Tryon County Requesting us to send out a Quanty of Provisions & Some Amenition, Accordingly we have Order^{d} the D. Commissary in this Town to send of a Quanty of Provisions Emeadtely which will take A Good many Waggons and the Qu^{r}. Master M^{r}. H Glen Inform^{s} us he has this Morning sent of Some More Waggons with Provisions for Johnstown for the Troops that are Station^{d}. their & Some Waggons Imploy^{d} in Carring Board^{s}. from this to Albany for the Battoes that are Building their Makes it all Most out of our Power to Comply with Your Request. But in the Mean time you may Rely We will Procure You as Many Waggons as we Posiple Can We have tought it Verry Necessary to Send you A Copy of the letter that Came to hand this Morning from Ballstown We Fother Must Acquaint You that the militia of Johnstown in Stead of Goeing by the way of Tacandago they are March^{d}. by the way of Ballstown—

We are Gentlemen

Your Humble servant

To The Chairman of the Committee
of Albany County

Schonectady 7th May 1777

Parsonly Appared

Abram Funda Chairman

John Roseboom	Arent N. Van Petten
Myndert Wemple	Necols Veeder

Resolved that Aron N Van Petten be Ordered to go & tend the County Committee at Albany tomorow

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Schenectady 8 May 1777

Abraham Funda Chairman

Nicolas Veeder	Myndert S Ten Eyck
John Roseboom	Abr^{m} Oothout

Application being made to us by Capt Banker Superintendent and Barks Master at Fishkill & for a Number of Dry board which were wanted for Barks &c at fishkill, and also Wagons to Carry the same from hence to Albany, which said Request we having taken in Consideration, and Resolved

that as it appears to us that one Joshua Watts hath bought up and monopolized a Large Quantity of boards in this District, which is Contrary to a Resolve of the Provential Congress of the 3d of April Last, that we Shall Supply said Capt Banker with these boards and that said Watson Shall be allowed the Common market price for the same, and Mr Myndert S. Ten Eyck is appointed to Count off and Deliver said Boards to Capt Banker Orders Till Mr Henry Glen Esqr. Deputy Commissary General Comes Home when he is required to take as many of said board as may be wanted for the use of the publick and pay the owner for the same

On Examining the Different accounts and Reciepts of Mr Abraham Fonda present Chairman in whose hands was Left by the former Committee the sum of one hundred and fifty pounds Sixteen Shilling which was Collected towards raising a Number of Militia Last Summer to go in the Contenantal Sarvice it appears that Mr Funda had paid out to the Several Captains in Col°. Wimpels Regiment the sum one hundred and twenty one pounds Six Shillings and four pence and further to Harmanus H Peeck the sum of three pounds 2 ' for repairing the wach House so that their remains in his hands of said money thirty six pounds 7/8

Likewise Left in hands of Mr Funda Eleven pounds Eleven Shillings from the former Committee out of which he has paid Isaac A. Truax the sum of Eleven pounds for tending the whach one year and this Committee have Engaged to pay said Truax the sum of fifteen pounds for the Ensuing year

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Schenectady 10 May 1777

Abrm. Funda Chairman

Nicolas Veeder	Arent V Patte
Myndert Wempel	Myndert S. T Eyck
Henry V Driese	Abrm. Oothout

& Henry Glen Esqr A D Q General

On Information made to us upon Oath that William Agnue John Mc Mullen Alexander McMurry William McCarty had been Absent from home some Days, these persons Live on Cambles Land near Sakendage, it appears that those people had been in Company with others that were gethered beyond balstown for which reason we sent our Militia for them and they appeared before us, they told us they had been to Harpersfield to Look for some Land they had that way we asked one of them to Declare upon Oath to us they had be that way which he refused, whereupo concluded they were

Guilty of the Charge alledged against them accordingly sent them to Albany to Confinement also resolved that the party who take these prisoners down also take Jacob I. Truax, and Deliver him with the rest to the Chairman at Albany to be Confined by information to us on Oath that he had told Gerret Gerrison he was no tory but he was a man for the King that he had been taken prisoner once by the Committee of Schenectady but Shewed him a tomyhoak he had fixed ready and said hoe ever came to take him he would kill him

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May 15 1777

Abr$^{m.}$ Funda Chairman

Myndert Wempel	John Roseboom
William Schermehorn	Myndert S T Eyck
Nicolas Veeder	Abr$^{m.}$ Oothout

By Virtue of a Request of the Provential Congress and a Resolve of the Committie of the City and County of Albany for Chusing New members in the severall Destricts in this County to Serve as a Committie to take place the first tuesday in June next and to Continue till the first of October following

Therefore Resolved that advertisements be published true the Different parts of this district Notifying all persons to appear on tuesday the 20th instant at the house of M^{r} John A Bradt at Nine OClock in the morning to Vote for members according to the above resolution and also that the Constitution of the State of New York be the same Day red off to the publick

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At A Meeting of the Committee of the destrect of Schenectady May 17th 1777

Present

Abraham Fonda Chairman

Abraham Oothout	Isaac Vrooman
John Roseboom	Wil$^{m.}$ Schermerhorn
Claas Veeder	Arent Van Patten
Mynd$^{t.}$ S. Ten Eyck	Christopher Yates

A Resolve from the Committee of the City and County of Albany was Presented to this board by Abraham Oothout and Mydert Schuyler Ten Eyck two of the Members of this board in the word following (to wit)

Resolved that the Committees of the different destrects in this County Deliver a List to the field Officers in their Respective destrects of the Names of Such persons as are to be sent down to the fleet prisoner at Kings Town and that said Field Officers Cause such persons to be apprehended on Monday Next Emediately sent down to this place under Gaurd
Albany May 13th 1777

Resolved by this board that the following Persons are Looked upon as Dangerous and ought to have their Names given in to the field officers Vizt.

Daniel Cambel	Richard Duncan
John Visger	Elexander Cambel
Robert Clinch	Reverd. Doutie
James Ellice	Major Snell
John Duncan	George Foresight

Schenectady May 20th 1777

Mr. John R. Wemple appeared before the Chairman of this Board and took the following Effidavit I John R. Wemple do most Solemly Sware on the Holy Evengelist of Allmighty God that I am, on Acct. of a Hurt in my Sholder which was put out of Joint, unfit to Carry arms or go upon any Expedition where he must fire

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At a Meeting of the Committee of this District
May 21st 1777

Present

Abrm. Fonda Chairman

John Roseboom	William Schermerhorn
Claas Veeder	Chrisr. Yates
Myndt. Wemple	

This board having Recd a Letter from the Chairman of the Committee of the City and County of Albany in the words following

Albany Committee Chamber 20th of May 1777

Genl.

The Committee have taken the Liberty to detain the Prisoners you have sent and submit the mode we have taken with those who were apprehended in this Town, to Your Consideration Should this Method meet with your approbation we shall Readily concur with you in causing the same to be

carried into execution or such other as may be deemed expedient. We have given them their Parole and wait to know your Opinion on this Subject we would therefore request that a Member may be sent with the Sense of your Board and unite with us on Thursday the 22d Instant in order to advise such ways and Means as are prudent to be taken with those people We are

Gent. Your Humbe. Servt.

By order

John Barclay Chairman

Resolved on the Receipt of the forgoing Letter that Mr. John Roseboom go down to Albany in Order to act with the Committee of Albany to Let our Prisoners take the same Oath as their Prisoners have done & According took the Said Oath as Follow:

I A. B, do most solemnly swear in the presence of Almighty God that I will not by words or deeds give any Concel advice Derections aid or Comfort to any the Enemies of the United States of America which may tend in any measure prejudical to the said states or at my request sued for or by any means Obtained or Receive a protection or pardon from Lord or General How or Either of them or from any other person or persons Authreyed by them or Either of them for granting the same nor am I nor have I been privy or knowing to any plots or Conspiracies that are forming or have bean formed against the United States of America so help Me God

John Visger	Alexr. Campell
John Ducan	Robert Clinch
Danell Campell	Major Snell
James Ellice	Geore Foresight
John Glen	

Toeke the same in this Committee

These persons have taken the above Oath

Resolved that Each of them be furnished with a Certificate Setting forth the same Coppy of which is on file

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At a meting of the Committee of this District May 30th

Present

Abram. Fonda Charman

William Schermerhorn	Henry Van Dresen
Necolas Veeder	John Roseboom
Myndert Wimpell	

A Complaint haith been maid before this board Conserning the Undermened persons Vz —

William McMartin Dick Bond & his son Dick Alexander McComb Thomas Swords Baldy McComb Petter McMickim John Monroy John O Mine Allexander Mall —

And Lickwise have Examed the said Complaint & having Dischargeed the said persons unless furder Prove Comes against them.

Att a Meeting the 2d June 1777

Present

Abrm Funda Chairman

William Schermehorn	Myndert S. T Eyck
Henry V Driese	Abrm Oothout
Nicolas Veeder	John Roseboom
Myndert Wimpel	Arent V. Patte

Resolved that the Nine Members be sent for to take their Seats this Day and that all Publick papers and money now in hands of this board be Delivered up to them also the Proceedings of this board

It appears that the sum of thirty nine pound 5/8 publick money is yet in the hands of this board which is to be Delivered up to the New Committie also the sum of one hundred and twenty Eight pounds 2/6 which is Donation money Collected for the poor of Boston and not yet sent them by request of Several persons requesting it might remain here which said money is also to be put in the hands of the New Committee

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At a meeting of the Committee 2d June 1777

Present

Rinier Minderse	John Cuyler
Jecobus Teller	Dirk Van Ingan
Alexr Fedder	Albert Mabey
Abraham Funda	Abraham Oathaut
Andrew McFarlan	[*James Wilson*[1]]
Hugh Mitchell	

On Motion made Resolved that Rinier Minderse is appointed to be Chairman & Dirk Van Ingan Clerk

[1] Crossed out in the original.

On motion made Resolved that John Cuyler & Jecobus Teller is appointed to be a Sub Committee from this board to attend a General meeting of the County Committee at Albany the 4th Inst.

On motion made Resolved that an Entry be made in the Clarks book of Every meeting of the Committee the Names of the Members pressent and the bussiness transacted and that the Same be Red before the Members Leave the board. Received by Rinier Minderse Chairman of this Committee the following Sumes of Money from Abraham Fundau Chairman of the Late Committee Viz one hundred & twenty Eight pounds two Shillings & Six pence being money Colected by a former Committee from the Inhabitents of this District for the relefe of the poor Inhabitents of the City of Boston, Also the Sum of thirty Nine pounds five Shillings & Eight pence publick money belonging to this District. William Martin appeared befor this board and desired a Certifycat to John Duncan that the board relesed him from the bale he gave for Said Martins appearance. Having taken Said Martins Request into Consideration Resolved that Said Martin Appear before this Committee on Seterday Next to receve their answer

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At a Meeting Held at the Committee Chamber 6 June 1777

Present

Reynr. Meynderse Chairman

Alexander Vedder	Albert Maibie
James Willson	Dirk Van Ingen

Mr Church a Gentleman of Conecticut Complained to this board that things stolen from him were found in the possession of Gerrit Bradt the board being informed by one of our Members that Isaac Vrooman Esqr. had Excepted to Continue in the Office of a Magistrate thereupon Resolved that said Mr Church be recommended by a letter from this board to Sd Isaac Vrooman Esqr. Which was done Accords

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At a Meeting of the Committee June 7. 1777

Present

Reynr. Meynderse Chairman

Alexandr. Vedder	John Cuyler
Jacobus Teller	Albert Maibie
James Willson	Dirk Van Ingen

Our subcommittee send the 4th Instant to attend upon the General Committee at Albany, returned and informed this board that two of the Members of Albany and two of our Members were (by a Resolution of the County Board) to go to tryon County in order to consult with the Inhabitans there for Electing a Governor, Lieutenant Governor & Senator Resolved thereupon that Messrs Jacobus Teller & John Cuyler be a Subcommittee to go there.

William Martin According to Appointment of the Second Day of June did Appear before this board and take the Oath of Allegiance prescribed in a Declaration or Ordinance of the Convention of this state passed May the 10th 1777.

At a Meeting of the Committee June 16 1777

Present

Reynr. Meynderse Chairman

Abraham Fonda	Albert Maibie
Alexandr. Vedder	Abraham Oathout
James Willson	John Cuyler
Andrew McFarlon	Dirk Van Ingen
Jacobus Teller	

On motion made resolved that James Willson & [*Dirk Van Ingen*[1]] be a subcommittee to Attend the General Committee at Albany on Wednesday the 18 Instant

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At a Meeting June 17. 1777.

Present

Reynr. Meynderse Chairman

Abraham Fonda	Albert Maibie
Andrew McFarlon	Jacobus Teller
James Willson	Dirk Van Ingen
Alexandr. Vedder	John Cuyler

Mr. Robbert Clinch Applied for license to keep an inn Resolved thereupon that Mr. Robbert Clinch pay the Sum of three Dollors and be licened till the first of October

On motion made Resolved that the Chairman Sent notice to the several overseers of the roads to repair the Highways in this District

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[1] Crossed out in the original.

At a Meeting June 23d. 1777

Present

Reynr. Meynderse Chairman

James Willson
Abraham Fonda
Alexandr. Vedder
Andrew McFarlon
Abraham Oathout
Hugh Mitchel
Dirk Van Ingen

John Stuard Entred a Complaint in this board against Arent Vedder Concerning a bargain of a Cow. On Motion made resolved that sd Stuard be Examined Whether he is a friend of the America states or not and be tended the Oath of Allegiance on his Appearing he said he would not Swear against the king Resolved thereupon that said Stuard is not intitled to the protection of this Country

Adjourned till 3 O Clock this Afternoon

Meet According to adjournment

Present

Reynr. Meynderse Chairman

Abraham Fonda
Alevander V [1]
Andrew McFarlon
James Willson
Hugh Mitchel
Dirk Van Ingen

On Motion made resolved that any member of this board who doth not attend at the Chamber in fifteen minutes after the Appointed time if due notice be given him Shall forfeit the sum of one Shilling and four pence to the Chaiman for the Use of this board

The Donation Money Collected for the use of the poor of Boston is now in the hands of this board and we taking into Consider [2] the Scarcity of Salt are of Opinion that by sending the Same [3] done [4] to Boston in Salt [5] Some profit would arise therefrom which if laid out for Salt might be verry Serviceable for the poor of this District on Motion made resolved that a Number of Waggons be hired to Carry flour to Boston with Some able person to

[1] Vedder.
[2] Consideration.
[3] The donation money.
[4] Down.
[5] Should be: flour.

transact for us and after Selling Said flour to Deliver the Sum of one hundred and twenty Eight pounds two Shillings and Six pence (Excepting the Sum of which we Shall be Oblidged to pay to the person that transact for us)

At a Meeting June 30. 1777

Present

Reyn^r. Meynderse Chairman

Andrew M^cFarlon	Hugh Mitchel
James Willson	Dirk Van Ingen
Alexand^r. Vedder	

Complaints being made before this board that the road on the South side of the River is unpassable On Motion made Resolved that Orders be Sent to John Veeder overseer of the Wostyne road to ment[1] the Same as soon as possible Which orders were sent Accord^g

Adjourned till 8 O Clock to Morro Morning

Meet According to Adjournment July 1, 1777

Present

Reyn^r. Meynderse Chairman

Abraham Fonda	James Willson
Alexand^r. Vedder	John Cuyler
Andrew M^cFarlon	Dirk Van Ingen

On motion made resolved that Abraham Fonda be a subcommittee to attend in the County Committee to Morrow

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At a meeting of the Committee 1 July 1777

Present

Reynier Meynderse Chairman

Alexand^r. Vedder	Abraham Funda
John Cuyler	Andrew M^cFarlon
James Willson	Hugh Mitchel
Dirk Van Ingen	

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John Brown made Application to this board for a passport to go into Tryon County on some Business.

The Committee taking said request into Consideration And knowing s^d. Brown to be an Enemy to the states Resolved that no pass be given him.

Colonel Van Dyck Appeared before this board And informed us that sundry persons had complained to him that Lieut: Welch had inlisted sundry men for the Service of this state and sold them afterwards to the Militia Among whom is one John Maginis which appears by a return of Said welch Delivered to John A Bradt that s^d Maginis Was inlisted the 13^th of March last and Sold to Maas Van franke and Petrus Van Der Volgen yesterday upon Which said Welch was sent for and appeared, on Examination Said he had inlisted said Maginis at the time mentioned in the above recited return And afterwards Discharged him: And Inlisted him again about a month ago and Sold him yesterday to the above named person, Which he said he had a right to do

Upon Which the board taking said Complaint into Consideration and Judging that there may be some fraud in the proceeding thereupon Resolved that a letter be wrote to the County Committee giving them the state of this Affair And Desiring them to Examin into it and proceed as they think fit Which was done Accordingly as will Appear by a Coppy on file of this date

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At a Meeting held July 5 1777

Present

Reyn^r. Meynderse Chairman

Abraham Fonda	Andrew M^cFarlon
Alexand^r. Vedder	John Cuyler
James Willson	Dirk Van Ingen

John F Clute Complained that John Grouenbergh Would not Deliver up a house he had rented from Jacob Jacobse Resolved that Gravenbergh be sent for he Appearing Said he had it yet in hire Resolved that Said Gravenbergh keep the possession untill she Jacobse or any body Else Entres a proper Complaint.

At a Meeting held 8th. July 1777

Present

Reynr. Meynderse Chairman

Andrew McFarlon	John Cuyler
Alexandr. Vedder	Hugh Mitchel
Abraham Fonda	Albert Maibie
James Willson	Dirk Van Ingen

The present Alarm from Ticonderago Causing the Militia of this Town to be ordred out on Service This board taking the present Situation of this Town into Consideration

Resolved that a new regulation be made for keeping a Town Watch Which was done Accordingly as pr Copy on file

Huberty Bradt came before this board and made Oath that her Husband is some time Disordred in his mind and in a bad state of health and that she thinks him unfit to go on the Expidetion on which he is now warned Upon Which Resolved that a Certificate be given him to show to Major Swits in order to Clear him from the tour of Dutty

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At a meeting held 9th July 1777.

Present

Reynr. Meynderse

Andrew McFarlon	John Cuyler
Alexandr. Vedder	Hugh Mitchel
Abraham Fonday	Albert Maibie
James Willson	Dirk Van Ingen

A number of the Inhabitants Appeared before this board Desiring us to order the Militia to stay in Town on Acct of the Alarming news from the Westerd we having taken their request into Consideration resolved that a letter be wrote to Brigadier General ten Broek Desiring him to let us know if the Militia may stay in this place And at same time Ordred Major Swits to stay in Town till we receive an answer from the General a letter was Wrote and Send by Abraham Groot Express to Genl. Ten Broek

Adjourned till 3 O Clock in the Afternoon

Meet According to Adjournment

Present

Reyn$^{r.}$ Meynderse Chairman

Alexand$^{r.}$ Vedder	Hugh Mitchel
James Willson	Albert Maibie
John Cuyler	Dirk Van Ingen

Just now recieved an Answer from Gen^{l} Ten Broek on the letter sent this Morning. We Send for Major Swits and he Appearing ordered him with his men to March as soon as possible.

Henry Glen Es$^{r.}$ D Q M G$^{l.}$ Informed this board that he wanted a Number of Waggon to Ride provision from Albany and to bring it to Johns Town and Cherry Valley Where the Garrison are quit out of provision and if not Supplyed must Consequently leave it And that he had applyed to Major Swits for leave to take out of the Militia as many of them (that had Waggons) as he Wanted Major Swits informed him that he had orders from Gen^{l} Ten Broek to march all the Melitia to fort Edward And therefore Could not Comply We taking the Same into Consideration Resolved that John I Van Vorst is one of the Waggoners And is Appointed to try amongst the people that doth not belong to the Militia who[1] many Waggons he can get which was done Accordingly. John J Van Vorst returned and Said that John B^{t} Van Eps and Gerrit Lansing would Send their Waggons And finding it necessary to furnish Glen with Waggons Resolved that Niklaas Alex$^{r.}$ Vedder and Abraham Groot are Appointed to ride in the Service as often as Glen shall want them during the time the Militia is out

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At a Meeting July 10 1777

Present

Reyn$^{r.}$ Meynderse Chairman

Andrew M^{c}Farlon	Jacobus Teller
Abraham Fonda	John Cuyler
Alexand$^{r.}$ Vedder	Albert Maibie
Hugh Mitchel	Dirk Van Ingen

According to the Resolve of yesterday the Waggoners went on their Way to Albany but Some of them being stopped by the Militia on Account

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of these Wagoners being Militia Men insisted on their going with them we taking Said Disturbence in Consideration resolved that John J Van Vorst Niclaas Alexandr Vedder and Abraham Groot go with the Militia

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At a Meeting of the Committee July 12. 1777

Present

Reynr. Meynderse Chairman

Abraham Funda	Andrew McFarlon
Jacobus Teller	Hugh Mitchel
Alexandr Vedder	

Recd a letter from the Committe of Albany dated the 10 Inst requesting us to send as many Waggons Immediatly to ride Stones at Fort Edward as possible and if they wont go voluntar[ily] then to grant press Warrants to Empress them

We having taking said Letter into Consideration Resolved that warrants be given to John J Van Vorst and Jacob Clut[e] to Empress a number of Waggon for the above Service to be ready here at 8 O Clock to morrow Morning which was done accordingly Signed by the Chairman and H Glen D Q M G

Jacob Hooper and Jeremiah Johnes appeared before this Court and made Oath as (per Copy on File) that Jacobus Hogtallings endeavoured to persuade them to desert from the Service and go with him and said if they would take fifty with them they should have good Entertainment and that he the said Hogtallins would send a Letter to the British Trops either that Evening or the next Morning

This Board having taken the Evidence of the said Hoopper and Johnes into Consideration Resolved that the said Hogtallins be apprehended and committed to Albany Goal and that the Affadavits of Hooper and Johnes be at the same Time sent to the Committee of Albany which was done accordingly

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At a Meeting of the Committee July 14th 1777

Present

Ryneer Mynderse in the Chair

Jacobus Teller	Andrew McFarlin
Alexander Vendder	Abrm. Fonda
Albert Mabie	Hugh Mitchell

The Press Master John Vⁿ Vost informed the Board that he was unable to execute his Orders unless assisted whereupon Ensign Young was ordered to assist him with a Party of the Militia which was done accordingly

On Motion made resolved that Mr Albert Mabee be appointed to attend the Genl Meeting of the Committee at Albany the 16th Instant

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At a Meeting July 26th 1777

Present

Ryneer Mynderse in the Chair

Alexander Vedder	Abrm. Oathout
Abrm. Fonda	John Cuyler
Andrew McFarlen	Jacobus Teller
James Wilson	Dirk Vⁿ Ingen

Recd. by Jacob Clute a Letter from Christr. Yates informing that the Waggons we had sent to Fort Edward desired to be relieved whereupon we ordered John Vⁿ Vost to endeavour to procure Waggons for their Relief but he returned and made Report that he could not. Upon which it was Resolved that sd. Vⁿ Vost be dispatched with a Letter to Genl. Schuyler acquainting him of the Situation of the Farmers of this District and requesting him to permit the Waggoners to return home and that he would after estimating the Number of Waggoners employed in the Army by the County of Albany fall upon a plan of impressing a Number proportionable to each District. (Copy on File)

At a Meeting July 28th 1777

Present

Ryneer Mynderse in the Chair

Abraham Fonda	John Cuyler
Albert Mabee	Hugh Michell
Abrm Oathout	James Wilson
Jacobus Teller	Dirk Vⁿ Ingen

Recd. a Letter from the Committee of Albany dated the 26th inst: requesting this Board to send twenty more Waggons to carry stores and Baggage to Head Quarters upon considering the Contents of sd. Letter resolved that no more Waggons be sent at present and that an Answer be written to the sd Comte. of Albany which was done accordingly (as pr Copy on File

At a Meeting July 29th 1777

Present

Ryneer Mynderse in Chair

Abraham Fonda	Hugh Mitchell
Alexr. Vedder	Albert Mabee
James Wilson	Abraham Oothout
John Cuyler	Dirk Vn Ingen
Jacobus Teller	

Recd. an Answer to our Letter of the 26th inst: from Genl. Schuyler informing that he could not spare the Waggons belonging to this District (as pr sd Letter) whereupon resolved that no more Waggons be sent untill the Harvest be over unless the Necessity of Affairs required it

Loderwick Braan appeared and made Complaint that Mr John Saunders refused to receive a sum of two hundred and sixty two Pounds ten Shills. due by Bond and Mortgage Whereupon resolved that Mr Saunders be sent for which was accordingly done, Mr Saunders appeared and reported that Mr Braan had not the Bond nor Mortgage with him Then the sd Bran made a tender of the sd. sum of £262..10 to Mr Saunders in the presence of this Board and required a Recept for the Same which Saunders refused

Resolved that Messrs. Hugh Mitchell and Dirk Vn Ingen be appointed to attend the County Committee to Morrow and acquaint them therewith

Resolved that the Money be lodged in the hands of the Chairman which was done accordingly

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At a Meeting July 31st 1777

Present

Ryneer Mynderse in the Chair

Abrm. Fonda	Jacobus Teller
James Wilson	Abrm. Oothout
John Cuyler	Dirk Vn Ingen
Hugh Mitchell	

The subcommittee returned and brought with them a Copy of the Resolution of the 30th inst concerning John Saunders and Danl Campbell with Respect to their refusing the Continental Currency in payment and in general for all Persons guilty of the same Crime

On Motion made resolved that the said Resolution be put in Execution against John Saunders. Resolved that a warrant be given from under the

hand of the Chairman to Hermanus Wessels and John F. Clute Constables to apprehend s^d. John Saunders and deliver him to the Council of Safety of this State at Kingston for which they are to be paid at the Rate of sixteen shillings p^r Day at the Expence of John Saunders

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At a Meeting Aug^t. 1^st 1777

Present

Ryneer Munderse in the Chair

Andrew M^cFarlen	Alex^r. Vedder
Jacobus Teller	Hugh Mitchell
James Wilson	Dirk V^n Ingen

On Motion made resolved that the Affair of John Saunders be postponed for a few days

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At a Meeting Aug^t. 2^d 1777

Present

Ryneer Mynderse in the chair

Jacobus Teller	John Cuyler
Alex^r. Vedder	Andrew M^cFarlen
Albert Mabee	Hugh Mitchell

On Motion made Res^d. that a Number of Waggons be immediately sent to Head Quarters to relieve those of this District employed in the public Service and that a List of the Names of those Persons be made who have Waggons and that a Warrant be given to the Constables to impress the same and that they be ready to set out on tuesday Morning next at seven O'clock which was done accordingly

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At a Meeting of Com: Aug^t. 5^th 1777

Present

Ryneer Mynderse in the Chair

Alex^r. Vedder	John Cuyler
Jacobus Teller	Hugh Mitchell
Andrew M^cFarlen	Albert Mabee
Abr^m Fonda	

On Motion made resolved that a Letter be sent to Gen$^{l.}$ Schuyler requesting of him to send about sixty Continental Troops with good Officers to assist us in the Discharge of our Duty

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At a Meeting Aug^{t} 6th 1777

Present

Ryneer Mynderse in the Chair

Andrew M^{c}Farlen
Albert Mabee
Jacobus Teller
Hugh Mitchell
Alexander Vedder

This Board being informed that John Grig had used some very unbecoming Expressions in Pressence of John A Bradt Will^{m} Moore and several others, On Motion made res$^{d.}$ to send for s^{d} John A Bradt and W^{m} Moore and examine them upon Oath which was done accordingly in the following Words Viz:

I do swear on the holy Evangelists of Almighty God that I was this Day present in the House of Jn$^{o.}$ A. Bradt when John Grig drank a Health to King George the third and success to him in all his proceedings or Words to that Effect — so help me God

sign$^{d.}$ W^{m} Moore

I do swear on the holy Evangelists of Almighty God that I this Day heard one John Grig in my house drink a Health to King George Prosperity and Success to all his undertakings or words tending to that Purpose to my best Knowledge so help me God

sign$^{d.}$ John A Bradt

Sworn before me
Ryneer Mynderse

The Board taking the Evidence of John A Bradt and W^{m} Moore into Consideration came to a Resolution that s^{d} Grig be committed to Albany Goal there to remain untill further Orders and that a Letter be sent to that Committe concerning him inclosing the above Affadavits of John Bradt and W^{m} Moore

At a Meeting Aug$^{t.}$ 7th 1777

Present

Ryneer Mynderse in the Chair

John Cuyler	Jacobus Teller
Abr^{m} Fonda	Albert Mabie
Andrew McFarlen	Andrew Vedder
Ab^{m} Oothout	Hugh Mitchell

Col: Gordon informed the Board that one his Neigbours had said that James Robinson had lately used some threatning Expressions whereupon resolved that s^{d} Robinson be sent for which was done according Robinson being examined acknowledged nothing Material upon which resolved that s^{d} Robinson be kept in Custody untill Evening and that Col Gordon either produce the Evidences against him here or send him with a Constable to Balls Town for Trial

John Grig having made the most humble Concession to this Board for the Crime he was yesterday convicted of and promising future Amendment It was resol$^{d.}$ that out of Compassion to his Family he be discharged from further punishment

On Motion made resolved that a Letter be sent to Dirk V^{n} Ingen and James Wilson requesting their immediate Return to this Board which was done accordingly

Received a Letter from the Committee of Albany By Col Winecoop requesting that two Members of this Committee go with the Colonel to Tryon County to assist in forming the Militia

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At a Meeting Aug$^{t.}$ 10th 1777

Present

Ryneer Mynderse in the Chair

Hugh Mitchell	Albert Mabee
Abr^{m} Fonda	Alex$^{r.}$ Vedder
James Wilson	Andrew McFarlen
Jacobus Teller	Dirk V^{n} Ingen

Information being given to this Board that on the 9th inst: at Night a Number of Tories had disarmed some of the Inhabitants of this place that were on Guard and that they had assembled to the Number of 300, Resolved that

the Militia under Major Swits who were ordered by Gen^{l}· Schuyler to head Quarters be detained in Town, and that a Watch of 25 Men be kept up Day & Night and that Col. Wemple be acquainted therewith which was done accordingly

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At a Meeting Aug^{t}· 11th 1777

Present

Ryneer Mynderse in the Chair

Alex^{r}· Vedder	Hugh Mitchell
Abr^{m} Fonda	Jacobus Teller
James Wilson	Dirk Van Ingen
John Cuyler	

Being informed that Wouter Dann and Henry Miller entertained Negroes in their Houses, This Board resolved that the above Dann and Miller be apprehended and confined untill released by this or a future Board and that Albert Mabee Cap^{t} of the Town Guard be ordered to apprehend them which was done accordingly

Adjourned till 3 o'Clock P M

At a Meeting 3 oclock P M according to Adjournment

Present

Ryneer Mynderse Chairman

Abr^{m} Fonda	Hugh Mitchell
Alex^{r}· Vedder	Andrew McFarlen
James Wilson	Albert Mabee
John Cuyler	Dirk V^{n} Ingen

Information being received that a Number of Tories were coming to this Place to disarm the Inhabitants Jacob Schemerhorn went in search of Them and having returned brought Intelligence that on the 10th inst at Night they lay at the House of a Thom^{s} Morall and in the Morning went to one Nicholas Van Patten

Whereupon resolved that Cap^{t} Childs be acquainted therewith and requested to take a Party of the Continental Troops under his Command and endeavour to disperse them which s^{d} Cap^{t}· Childs agreed to

Resolved that Major Swits with a Number of the Militia assist Cap^{t}· Childs in routing the Tories

At a Meeting August 12th 1777

Present

Ryneer Mynderse in the Chair

Andrew McFarlen	Albert Mabee
Alexr Vedder	Jacobus Teller
Hugh Mitchell	Dirk Vn Ingen
John Cuyler	

Major Swits and Capt Childs having returned and taken the following prissoners Viz: Nicholas Van Petten, Anthony Winne, Frederick Blessing, Jacob Man, Peter Kelly, John Fatherly, Bartholomew Vn Aelsteyn, Francis Weaver, Nicholas Vrooman, Dirk Springer, and Isaac Wormer in the House and Barn of the above Nicholas Vn Petten with their Arms and Accoutrements

The sd. Prisoners were ordered into Confinement John Groadt and Myndert Legrance appeared before this Board with a Letter which they say they had received from the Tories which were dispersed by Major Swits and Capt. Childs.

Resolved that if John Groadt will desire them to sign their Names he will answer them (as pr Copy on File) On Motion made resd. that Myndert Legrance be taken into Custody on suspicion of his being a disaffected Person

The Guard brought two Deserters from Capt. Peter's Compy. of Batteaumen and one from Capt. John Clute's Compy. Resd. that the sd. Deserters be confined

Resolved that the 17 Prisoners under Confinement be sent in the morning to Albany under a Guard of 26 Men and that a Letter be written to that Committee

Hendk. Eckson appeared before this Comte. and said that he heard from John Fine that the Party of Tories that were dispersed By Major Swits had collected themselves again to the Number of 100 men

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At a Meeting the 13th of Augt. 1777

Present

Ryneer Mynderse in the Chair

Alexr. Vedder	Hugh Mitchell
Andrew McFarlen	Jacobus Teller
James Wilson	Dirk Vn Ingen

Agreable to the Resolve of Yesterday the Prisoners were sent to Albany under a Guard of 26 men commanded by Lieu[t] Jacobus L Peek of the Militia

Resolved that a Letter be sent to the Committee of Albany requesting them to send us Powder and Ball

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At a Meeting Aug[t]. 14[th] 1777

Present

Ryneer Mynderse in the Chair

Alex[r]. Vedder	Jacobus Teller
James Wilson	Albert Mabee
Hugh Mitchell	Dirk V[n] Ingen

Petrus Van De Volagar reported to us that early on the Morning of last Sunday as he came from Albany he saw on the Road the Negro of Major Wemple in a rifle Dress and completely Armed

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At a Meeting Aug[t]. 18[th] 1777

Present

Ryneer Mynderse in the Chair

Andrew McFarlen	Alex[r] Vedder
Hugh Mitchell	Jacobus Teller
James Wilson	

Rec[d]. a Letter from the Comm[te]. of Albany with a Letter inclosed to Gen[l]. Arnold and a Letter of the Councell of Safety of the State of Vermont to be sent by Express to the Committee of Tryon which was done accordingly

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At a Meeting Aug[t]. 22[d] 1777

Present

Ryneer Mynderse in the Chair

James Wilson	Alex[r]. Vedder
John Cuyler	Andrew McFarlen
Albert Mabee	Abraham Fonda
Jacobus Teller	Dirk V[n] Ingen

John Saunders appeared before this Board and begged that the Affair between him and Mr Crane might be settled, Resolved that if Jno. Saunders will receive the Sum of £262..10s due to him in Continental Currency he shall be released which was done

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At a Meeting Augt. 25th 1777

Present

Ryneer Mynderse in the Chair

Alexr. Vedder	Albert Mabee
Andrew McFarlin	Jacobus Teller
Abram Funda	Dirk Vn Ingen
James Wilson	

Resd. that Andrew McFarlin and Albert Mabee be appointed to attend the Election of Militia Officers

Resd. that Jacobus Teller and Albert Mabie be a Sub Committe to attend the County Committee to morrow, Francis Rawworth from Schohare being seen in this place it was resd. that he should be sent for and examined whether he had a Pass from the Committee of that District, Mr Raworth being present said he had not a Pass whereupon resolved that he be confined on his Parole untill Evening and then give security for his remaining here untill a Letter be received from Schohare Committee to give his Character and that a Letter be sent to sd Come. (as pr Copy on File)

Adjourned untill 6 Oclock P M

Met accordingly

Mr Francis Raworth appeared according to appointment Resolved that he take an Oath to give information concerning the plot carried on at Schohare Mr Raworth being sworn said that he heard George Man say it will be over with the Country and we shall be ourselves again and also said he saw at George Man's House Mr Wesley write on a Paper, he then went out of the House and tarried about an hour he said and when he came in again read off a Paper of the following Contents

We the subscribers do voluntarily and without Compulsion take protection under the Indians who are now invading these Territories as we see no other help for the preservation of our Properties he said he saw one Peter Borst Alexr. Mc Dougal and John Tepple with some others sign the above Paper

At a Meeting Aug$^{t.}$ 26th 1777

Present

Ryneer Mynderse Chairman

Abraham Fonda
Alex$^{r.}$ Vedder
Andrew McFarlin
James Wilson
Dirk V^{n} Ingen

Resolved that Raworth be sent for, for further Examination He being present and asked several Questions answered nothing material, Res$^{d.}$ that Raworth remain in Town untill further Orders and give in two sufficient persons for Bail for his complying with our Orders, which he is to perform at 5 O'clock P M

Adjourned till 5 P M

Met according to Adjournment

Present

Ryneer Mynderse in the Chair

Alex^{r} Vedder
Abr^{m} Fonda
Andrew McFarlen
James Wilson
Dirk V^{n} Ingen

M^{r} Raworth appeared and reported that M^{r} John Hughan was only the Bail he could get

Res$^{d.}$ that M^{r} Hughan be sent for, who being present refused to be Raworth's Bail

On motion made resolved that Raworth be allowed 7 or 8 Days to go to Schohare for Credentials from the Committee of that District

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At a Meeting Aug$^{t.}$ 27th 1777

Present

Ryneer Mynderse in the Chair

Alex$^{r.}$ Vedder
Abr$^{m.}$ Fonda
James Wilson
Andrew McFarlen
Dirk V^{n} Ingen

One John Taylor a vagrant Person being suspected was brought before this Board and upon Examination some counterfeit Papers were found with him, Whereupon resolved that s^d^ Taylor be sent under the Care of two Constables to Albany Goal

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At a Meeting 28^th^ Aug^t.^ 1777

Present

Ryneer Mynderse in the Chair

Abraham Fonda	James Wilson
Alex^r.^ Vedder	Jacobus Teller
Andrew McFarlen	Dirk V^n^ Ingen

Messieurs Teller and Mabee returned from the County Comm^te.^ and reported that Jacob Man Anthony Winne and one Springer prisoners were released by Request of Mess^rs.^ Barent Mynderse John Groat and Jacob V^n^ Arnhim

The subcommittee also informed of a Motion made by them in the County Committee for the Release of Nicholas V^n^ Patten upon two securities. But the Affair being put to Vote the Majority were of Opinion that he should be detained

Cornelius Glen and John Monier being seen in this Town and being suspected inimical to the States were sent for. M^r^ Glen sent a Note informing that he could not attend on account of Sickness being confined to his Bed M^r^ Monier appeared and alledged that he came here for the sake of his Health and that he received much Benefit from this Air, Res^d.^ that s^d^ John Monier be permitted to remain here for his health

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At a Meeting Aug^t.^ 30^th^ 1777

Present

Ryneer Mynderse in the Chair

Andrew McFarlen	Jacobus Teller
James Wilson	Albert Mabee
Abr^m^ Oathout	Dirk V^n^ Ingen

M^r^ Alford appeared and entered a Complaint against M^r^ Dan^l.^ Campbell for refusing to receive a Sum of Money which he said was due to s^d.^ Campbell

Mr Campbell being sent for produced an Article of Agreement between him and Alford, on which it was our Opinion that we could not do more than order sd. Campbell to deliver a true Copy of Sd Agreement and to acknowledge the same before the Chairman

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At a Meeting Sepr. 1st 1777

Present

Ryneer Mynderse in the Chair

Andrew McFarlen	John Cuyler
Abrm. Fonda	Albert Mabee
James Wilson	Abrm. Oathout

Resolved that Abraham Oathout and Abraham Fonda be a subcommittee to attend the County Committee to Morrow at Albany

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At a Meeting of Comte. Sepr 5th 1777

Present

Ryneer Mynderse in the Chair

Andrew McFarlen	Abraham Fonda
Hugh Mitchell	Albert Mabee
Alexr. Vedder	Dirk Vn Ingen

Resolved that as Money is frequently wanted for public uses by the Board and as there is the Sum of £32..14 collected for Fines in the hands of the Chairman that it be used for publick Expences whenever there is a Necessity

Resd. that Dirk Vn Ingen be paid out of the said Money the Sum of £1..2 for the Expences of Cannon Waggons and Paper

As it is expected that Ryneer Mynderse our present Chairman will attend the Senate and Assembly at Kingston, Mr Andrew McFarlen was unanimously elected in his place and Jacobus Teller and Albert Mabee were chosen to be the acting Committee

Mr Ryneer Mynderse delivered into the hands of Mr Andrew McFarlen the Sum of £128..2..6 and also the Sum of £39..5..9 and also the sum of £31..12

Matthias Clark appeared before this Board and complained yt. Jellis J Vn Vorst would not let him take down his (sd Clark's) House, Whereupon

resolved to send V^n Vorst a Note to appear before the Board but he damned the Note and would not receive it and said the Committe might come to him, upon which W^m. Lighthall said to V^n Vorst you had better go or you will bring trouble on yourself and he replied that is what I want I have 300 pounds to spend for it, the s^d. Clark has sworn to the above

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At a Meeting Sep^r. 8^th 1777

Present

Andrew M^cFarlen in the Chair

Ryneer Mynderse — Jacobus Teller
Albert Mabee — Alex^r. Vedder
Hugh Mitchell

Resolved that a Letter be sent the Chairman of the Committee of Albany requesting the Releasment of Henry Miller from his Confinement, which was done accordingly

Benjamin Elsworth and Amos Eldra gave Information that Abr^m. Hayet was gone to the Enemy and that his Cattle were at M^r Tuttles and that James Fullerton offered Eldra four Guineas for every Horse he would take from the Rebels and deliver to him at Ballston and that David Edwards desired s^d. Eldra to join with him and take two Horses from Ben^n. Elsworth two from Abraham Van Eps two from Albert Vedder and one from Peter V^n Vorst and carry them to Gen^l. Burgoyne who he said would give 20 Guineas for each

Abraham Eldered further informed that he had heard Abr^m Hayts Wife say that her Husband was gone to the Enemy. S^d Eldered likewise reported that one Middens Wife said that there is a Chest at Hayts House of Jn^o. Waycof[?] who is in Custody as a disaffected person

Amoss Eldred swore to the above

The Board having taken the above Information into Consideration Resolved that Major Swits be sent with a Party of the Militia to apprehend the Wives of James Fullerton & David Edwards which was done accordingly

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At a Meeting Sep^r. 10^th 1777

Present

Andrew M^cFarlen in the Chair

Jacobus Teller — Dirk V^n Ingen
Alex Vedder

Jacob Schemerhorn having entered Complaint against one Frederick Quack for using threatning Expressions before Dirk V^nPetten against s^d Schemerhorn and saying that he the s^d Schemerhorn was in Danger if he went often to the old Land. The s^d Schemerhorn requesting the Assistance of a few others to apprehend the s^d. Quack, The Board res^d: that he might chuse three or more men out of the Militia, which was done accordingly

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At a Meet^g. Sep^t. 11^th 1777

Present

Andrew M^cFarlen in the Chair

Abraham Fonda	Albert Mabee
Jacobus Teller	Hugh Mitchell

David Edwards being apprehended, resolved that he should be sent Pris^r. to Albany Goal there to remain untill further Orders

Benj^n. Aylesworth made Oath before this Board that he was in Fear that Evert Midden and Family would destroy his Property or take his Life

Resolved that s^d. Midden be sent Pris^r. to Albany Goal there to rem^n. till further Ord^rs.

Res^d. that David Edwards & Evert Midden be immed^ly. sent to Albany Goal under the Care of Maas Schemerhorn Edward Early &c and that a Letter be sent to the Chair^n of Albany Com^te. As per Copy on File

Frederick Quak made Oath before this Board that on Aug^t. the [ ] he heard a Scotchman that lives above David Ralje say that unless the Prisoners were released they would bur[n] the houses over their heads. Another Scotchman having a Bayonet fixed to Pole said he would fight with that

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At a Meet^g. Sept^r 12^th 1777

Present

Andrew M^cFarlen in the Chair

Abraham Fonda	Abr^m Oathout
Hugh Mitchell	Albert Mabee
Jacobus Teller	Dirk V^n Ingen

Jellis V^n Vorst in consequence of a Complaint lodged against him the 5^th inst. by Matt^w. Clark appeared before us and consented that s^d. Clark might take the House from his Lot without Molestation and by his Order

[At a Meeting Sep^r 16^th 1777

And^w. M^cFarlen in the Chair

James Wilson	*Alex^r Vedder*
Abr^m Fonda	*Dirk V^n Ingen*

Resolved that Notice be given to the Publick by Advertisem[ents] to bring in Accounts of what is due to them by the present Com^te. at or before the 31^st inst: at the House of Dirk V^n Ingen Clerk]

At a Meet^g. Sep^r 16^th 1777

Andrew M^cFarlen in the Chair

Hugh Mitchell	Abr^m. Oathout
Jacobus Teller	Dirk V^n Ingen
Alex^r. Vedder	

Resolved that Hugh Mitchell be appointed in the Room of James Wilson one of the Subcommittee to attend the Gen^l. Comm^te.

At a Meet^g. Sep^r 25^th 1777

Present

Andrew M^cFarlen in the Chair

James Wilson	Alex^r Vedder
Abr^m Fonda	Dirk V^n Ingen

Res^d. that Notice be given the publick by advertisements to bring in their Accounts of what is due to them from this Committee at or before the 31^st inst: at the House of Dirk V^n Ingen Clerk M^rs Rebecca De Groat Mother to Cornelius De Groat and Rebecca De Groat Wife to Cor^s. De Groot made oath that John Stevens being at the House of s^d C^s. Groat and being asked by old M^rs De Groat what News replied that our Army was surrounded by the British Troops and that it was Folly for the militia to go to join them as they could not get to our Army, M^rs Steven then told him that they would come out shortly s^d Stevens said that he did not know how they could come out

Resolved that s^d. John Stevens be sent to Albany Com^te.

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[1] Crossed out in the original. See Entry for 25th.

At a Meeting Oct^{r}. 16th 1777

Present

Andrew M^{c}Farlen in the Chair

Ryneer Mynderse	Dirk V^{n} Ingen
John Cuyler	Alex^{r}. Vedder
James Wilson	& Major Swits

Rec^{d} a Letter from the Com^{te}. of Albany informing that the Enemy were comeing up the North River with a Number of Ships and desiring this Board to send down the Militia immediately, which the Major was ordered to do

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At a Meet^{g}. Oct^{r}. 27th 1777

Present

Andrew M^{c}Farlen in the Chair

James Wilson	Abr^{m}. Fonda
Alex^{r} Vedder	John Cuyler
Jacobus Teller	

Application being made to this Board by the Inhabitants to desire us to petition to Gen^{l}. Gates for the Removal of John Duncan from his post of Com^{ry}. of Purchase to the Hosp^{l}. Resolved that M^{r} John Cuyler and Cap^{t}. John Mynderse be sent with a Petion for that purpose on their Return they reported that Doctor Potts would in a few days come to Schenectady and settle the Matter with this Board

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At a Meet^{g} Nov^{r}. 1st 1777

Present

Andrew M^{c}Farlen in the Chair

James Wilson	Ryneer Mynderse
John Cuyler	Jacobus Teller
Abr^{m} Fonda	Dirk V^{n} Ingen
Alex^{r}. Vedder	

Doctor Potts appeared and promised he would remove John Duncan from his place of Trust

Res^{d}. That Ryner Mynderse fill the Chair in the place of Andrew M^{c}-Farlen who was going abroad

At a Meetg. Novr 7th 1777

Present

Andrew McFarlen in the Chair

Ryneer Mynderse	Abrm Fonda
James Wilson	John Cuyler
Jacobus Teller	Abrm Oathout
Albert Mabee	Dirk Vn Ingen

Doctor Potts and John Duncan appeared before this Board, Docr. Potts delivered a Paper wherein we are acquainted that John Duncan had resigned his post of Comy. to hospl. also his Reasons for accepting and for Resigning (as pr paper on File)

At a Meeting Novr. 11th. 1777

Present

Andrew McFarlen in the Chair

Ryneer Mynderse	Alexr. Vedder
Albert Mabee	Hugh Mitchell
James Wilson	

John Lafferty of Capt. Hicks Compy. Col: Van Schaicks Regt. entered a Complaint that his Watch was stolen from him in the house of Hugh Oar and he suspects that Humphry Hartgrove who was in the House at the same Time stole the sd Watch Lafferty also said he had two Evidences to prove the Charge Viz Sarah Culberson and John Holahan who both being duly sworn and examined (as on File) and no plain proof appearing against him, resolved that he be kept in Custody untill another Meeting

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At a Meeting Novr. 12th 1777

Andrew McFarlen in the Chair

Reyneer Mynderse	Abraham Fonda
Albert Mabee	John Cuyler
James Wilson	Dirk Vn Ingen

Resolved that hereafter the Comte. meet on Tuesdays and Saturdays at 2 Oclock P M: And every Member who shall not appear within 15 Minutes after that Time shall forfeit one Dollar (unless he hath a sufficient Excuse) to be paid to the Chairman

But upon any Emergency to meet whenever called for

Novr. 15th 1777

Andrew McFarlen in the Chair

Reyneer Mynderse	Hugh Mitchell
Albert Mabee	John Cuyler
Alexr. Vedder	Jacobus Teller
James Wilson	Dirk Vn Ingen

Resd. that as no proof appeared against Humphry Hartgrove he shall be discharged upon his parole not to leave the place

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At a Meeting Novr. 18th 1777

Ryneer Mynderse in the Chair

James Wilson	Albert Mabee
Hugh Mitchell	John Cuyler
Alexr. Vedder	Dirk Vn Ingen
Jacobus Teller	

A Negroman called Prim belonging to Simon Schemerhorn being examined concerning a Watch he had sold to John Williams said he had it from his Cousin who being sent for said she had it from her Father a Negroman called Charles living at Ephraim Wemps in Tryon County

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Novr. 20th 1777

Reyneer Mynderse in the Chair

Dirk Van Ingen	Jacobus Teller
James Wilson	Hugh Mitchell
Alexr. Vedder	John Cuyler
Albert Mabee	

Resolved that every person in this District who has had salt to sell within these three Months past is not intitled to any of the public Salt unless he or they make oath that he or they have not sufficient salt for the Winter Meat

Resolved that the Inhabitants of this District who are in the Continental service are intituled to receive salt only for that part of their Family who do not belong to the service

Novr. 22d. 1777

Ryneer Mynderse in the Chair

Abrm. Fonda	Jacobus Teller
Alexr. Vedder	Albert Mabee
James Wilson	Dirk Vn Ingen
Hugh Mitchell	

This Board sent for Harme Weisselse Constable for this District who refused to attend, whereupon Resolved that sd Constable be apprehended and sent to the Guard House untill to Morrow Morning and that Abraham Truax be appointed to take sd Weissels to Albany Goal there to remain till further orders

Henry Van Dyck appeared before this Board and informed that Michael Meghter[1] and Hamas Henry were Enemies to the Country as he had heard them express themselves as such and he looked upon both his Life and Property to be in Danger from them whereupon resolved that the Bodies of sd. Meghter and Henry be secured and that application be made to L Col Vn Dyck for a file of Men for that purpose which was done accordingly

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Decr. 1st 1777

Ryneer Mynderse in the Chair

Jacobus Teller	Abrm Fonda
James Wilson	Hugh Mitchell
Albert Mabee	Dirk Vn Ingen

The Bodies of Henry and Meghter being secured agreable to a Resolve of 22d ult: resd. that Heny. Vn Dyck Andrew Felbush Michael Hicher John Backer and Simon Vedder be upon Oath to discover whatever they know against the above prisrs.

Evidence being given resolved that the above Henry and Meghter be committed to Albany Goal and a Letter be sent to that Commte. inclosing the Evidences against them

Recd. Lettr. from Tryon Comte. complaining of a Pasport being given to Mrs Shane [?] and Boy Resd. that sd Lettr. be answered

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[1] Reghter. See minutes of Jan. 17, 1778.

Dec^{r} 4th 1777

Ryneer Mynderse in the Chair

John Cuyler	James Wilson
Hugh Mitchell	Albert Mabee
Jacobus Teller	Dirk V^{n} Ingen

Received a Letter from Albany Com^{te} desiring our Attendance this day which we answ^{d} as p^{r} C^{y} on File

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Dec^{r} 9th 1777

Ry^{r} Mynderse in the Chair

John Cuyler	James Wilson
Hugh Mitchell	Albert Mabee
Jacobus Teller	D^{k} V^{n} Ingen

A Complaint being entered that Jellis V^{n} Vorst detained from the Clerk of the Hosp^{l} the Effects of a Soldier who died in the G^{l} Hospital. It was resolved that s^{d} V^{n} Vorst should deliver the said Effects to the Clerk of G^{l} Hosp^{l} V^{n} Vorst appear^{d} before this Board but refused to deliver them up upon which resolved that a Warrant be given to John Clute Constable to apprehend and take him to Albany Goal if he refuses to deliver the s^{d} Effects

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Dec^{r} 11th 1777

Ryn^{r} Mynderse Chairman

Jacobus Teller	Hugh Mitchell
Alex^{r} Vedder	Dirk V^{n} Ingen
James Wilson	

Cap^{t} Hicks of Col: V^{n} Schaiks Regm^{t} lodged a Comp^{t} against some of his Sold^{rs} selling their Cloaths for Liquor and desired a search Warrant to search the House of one Harry Hill which was granted. The Serj^{t} appointed to search returned and brought a Bundle from Henry Hill from Mat: Clark a Bundle from V^{n} Vorsts and 2 pair of stockings from M^{r} M^{c}Creddles supposed to belong to the Soldiers

Decr. 6th [1] 1777

Ryr. Mynderse in the Chair

James Wilson
Abrm Fonda
Hugh Mitchell
Jacobus Teller
Dirk Van Ingen

Resd. that Humy. Hartgrove be released on giving Bail for his future good Behaviour

Thoms. Bigham appeared as Bail for sd Humphry Hartgroove who was accepted and Hartgrove was delivered up accordingly. Resd. that sd Bigham and Hartgrove appear next Tuesday to sign a Bond

Resd. that Henry Peek Petrus Vn De Volgar Jno. Bastian Antny. Simons and Jacob Vn Sice who have suffered greatly by the late Fire be reccommended by this Board to all charitable People of this District Albany City and the County of Tryon & that Col: Wemple and Major Swits be appointed to collect in this District Abrm Fonda and John Roseboom in Albany and Major Wemple and John Mynderse in Tryon County

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Decr. 16th 1777

Rynr Mynderse Chairn.

Abrm Fonda
James Wilson
Abrm Oathout
Jacobus Teller
John Cuyler
Hugh Mitchell
Dirk Vn Ingen

Recd. Information that Andrew Little who had been taken near Lake George going to the Enemy was in Town, resd. that he be sent for Little appearing and being asked how he came out of Goal shewed a paper signed by Mathew Vigger[2] signifying that sd Little was a Prisoner at Large. This Board knowing by the Character of Little that he was inimical to the Country, Resd. that sd. Andrew Little with his Family his wearing Apparel and provision be ordered to leave this District before the 20th inst: and not to go to the West or North of it

Jellis Vn Vorst appeared and being asked whether he knew the Blanket in Custody of the Board said he had never seen it and the Frock he said was non of his, Resd. to detain them till he or they prove their property

[1] So in original.
[2] Visscher?

Decr. 19th 1777

Ryneer Mynderse in the Chair

James Wilson
Albert Mabee
Jacobus Teller
John Cuyler
Abrm Oathout
Alexr. Vedder
Hugh Mitchell

The Board considering the distressed Condition of this District on account of the Scarcity of Salt: resd. that Hugh Mitchell be appointed to purchase a Quantity of sd. Article in either the States of Connecticut Rhode Island or Massachusets Bay or in any part of sd States unoccupied by the Enemy, The Quantity not to exceed six hundred Bushels and to be paid for in Flour or Money as sd. Mitchell thinks proper, and further resd. that this Board will ratify any Agreament or Contract he shall make for sd. Salt and furnish him with Flour or Money for the payment of sd Salt and that while on this Business he be allowed 30 shill: pr. Day for his truble & all his Expences pd

Resd. that Advertisements be put up in the most publick places to desire the Inhabts. of this District who are Friends to the Country and desirous of sharing sd salt to deliver in their Names to any Member of this Board

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Decr. 20th 1777

Ryneer Mynderse in the Chair

James Wilson
Hughh Mitchell
Abrm. Fonda
John Cuyler
Alexr. Vedder
Abrm Oathout
Dirk Vn Ingen

John Winkworth being seen in this Town and knowing him to be an Enemy to the Country, Resd. that said Winkworth be sent for. Winkworth appearing it was resolved that he should be ordered by the Chairn. to leave the District with his Family and Cloaths and Provision

Resd. that Mesrs. Abrm Fonda and Abrm Oathout be appointed to purchase 200 Blls. of Flour to Barter for Salt on the Credit of this Board

Decr. 27th 1777

Ryneer Mynderse in the Chair

James Wilson	Jacobus Teller
Abrm Oathout	Abrm Fonda
John Cuyler	Hugh Mitchell
Albert Mabee	Dirk Vn Ingen

Information being recd. that Andrew Little still remained in Town contrary to a Resolution of this Board on the 16th inst: Resd. that sd Liddle be sent to Albany Goal there to remain untill further Orders and that a Warrant be given to the Constable for that purpose

Resd. that Advertists. be put up in the most publick places desiring the people of this Town to meet next Friday at ten ocllock A M at the House of Alexr Vedder to elect eleven Persons to be a Committee for this District for 6 Months to take their Seats on the 6th Jany. next 1778

Col. Van Dyck requested this Board to inform the Comte. of Albany that he *had some*[1] very essential Evidence to produce against Palmatier a prisr in Albany Goal which was done accordingly.

Wm Hall complained that one Abrm. Brawn[2] had threatned him and snapped a Gun at him several Times and upon applying to the officer of the Guard he was put in the Guard house, Resd. that sd. Brawn be kept under Guard utill next meetg. and an order be sent to the Officer of the Guard for that purpose

John J Vn Eps entered Complaint that Calven Young had bought a Watch from him for eight Pounds which Money Young he said refused to pay, Resd. that Young be sent for which being done and Young appearing said he had bought the Watch for a pair of Silver Buckels and 20 shillings which he said he could prove by Seth Young, Seth Young appearing made Oath that he heard Calven Young say he would satisfy Vn Eps for the Watch

Jacobus Peek also appearing made Oath that he heard Vn Eps he would not have the Buckels and 20 shil. for the Watch but Eight Pounds for the Watch in Money and that Calven Young said he would satsfy him

The Wife of Seth Young appearing made Oath to the same as her husband

Resd that Calven Young pay Vn Eps the Sum of £8 for the Watch before Jany. 1st next and 40 Shills. as a Fine for buying Cloaths of Soldiers before next Tuesday

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[1] Had apparently written over *some*.
[2] Brown.

Dec^{r} 30th 1777

Andrew M^{c}Farlen in the Chair

Reyn^{r} Mynderse	Hugh Mitchell
Albert Mabee	James Wilson
Alex^{r} Vedder	Jacobus Teller
Abr^{m} Fonda	Dirk V^{n} Ingen

W^{m} Hall appeared with Elisth Mabb as an Evidence to confirm the Charge against Abr^{m} Brown, she being upon Oath said that on the 26th inst: W^{m} Hall and Abr^{m} Brown came to her House and sat down to play Cards and Brown cheating s^{d} Hall a Quarrel arose and Brown got down a Gun and said he would shoot Hall who had went out of the house a little before

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[Jan^{y} 3^{d} 1778

Andrew M^{c}Farlen in the Chair

Reyneer Mynderse	*Jacobus Teller*
Abr^{m} Oathout	*Alex^{r} Vedder*
Abr^{m} Fonda	*Hugh Mitchell*
James Wilson	*Dirk V^{n} Ingen*

Calven Young not having complied with the Resolve of this Board of the 27th ult:

Res^{d} that an Execution be levied upon his Goods for the Sum of £8 due to V^{n} Eps

Hooper Bush complained that Margaret V^{n} Slike owed him 7s 1½d which she refused to pay

Res^{d} that be made out for V^{n} Slike to appear here on next Tuesday at 3 oclock P M[1]]

Jan^{y} 2^{d} 1778

Reyneer Mynderse in the Chair

Andrew M^{c}Farlen	John Cuyler
Abr^{m} Fonda	Abr^{m} Oathout
Albert Mabee	Alex^{r} Vedder
Jacobus Teller	Hugh Mitchell
James Wilson	Dirk V^{n} Ingen

[1] Crossed out in the original. Entry repeated after minutes of Jan. 2d

At an Election this Day for chusing eleven Persons to be a Com^te. of Correspondence Safety and protection for this District agreable to a Resolve of the City and County of Albany the following persons were duly elected by a Majority of Votes Viz

Reyneer Mynderse	James Wilson
Alex^r. M^cFarlen	Alex^r. Vedder
Dirk V^n Ingen	John Cuyler
Jacobus Teller	Hugh Mitchell
Albert Mabee	Abr^m Oothout
Abr^m. Fonda	

Jan^y. 3^d 1778 at a Meeting of the Committee

Andrew M^cFarlen in the Chair

Ryneer Mynderse	Jacobus Teller
Abr^m Oathout	Alex^r. Vedder
Ab^m. Fonda	Hugh Mitchell
James Wilson	Dirk V^n Ingen

Calven Young not having complied with the Resolve of this Board of the 27^th inst:

Res^d. that an Execution be levied upon his Goods for the sum of 8 Pounds due to John V^n Eps

Hooper Bush complained that Margaret Van Slike refused to pay him 7s.1½ which she owed s^d Bush, res^d that a Summons be made out for Marg^t. V^n Slike to appear before this Board on next Tuesday at 3 Oclock P M which was done accordingly

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At a meeting of the Committee the 5^th Jan^ry 1778

The following persons having been duly Elected took their Seats Viz

Andrew M^cFarlan	Jecobus Teller
Reneer Minderse	James Wilson
Dirk Van Ingan	Albert Mabey
Abraham Funda	Hugh Mitchell
Alex^r. Fedder	

On motion made Resolved that Andrew M^cFarlan be Chairman & James Wilson Clerk. The Constables of this district having been Sent for and now present Resolved that they be tendred the following Oath

You do Swer well and truly to execute the Office of A Constable for the District of Schonectady untill the Next Election for Constables and untill another be Sworn in your Room Or Untill you Shall be Lawfully discharged from the Said Office So help you God.

John Clut
Harman Wassalsa
Gerret Sim Vader[1]

Resolved that Andrew McFarlan attend at the General Meeting of the Committee to be held at Albany the 6th Inst and deliver in the Poll of Election of Members for this district. On Motion made Resolved that the Committee meet as Usual at the House of Alexr. Vedder

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At a Meeting of the Committee Janry 6th 1778

Present

Andrew McFarlan in the Chaire

Abraham Funda
Alexander Vedder
James Wilson
Reneer Minderse
Dirk Van Ingan

Reneer Minderse late Chairman of this Committee delivered to the present Chairman of this board the Sum of one hundred & Eighty five pounds four Shillings and three pence being Donation money for the poor of Boston & publick Money belonging to this district On motion made Resolved that the above Sum be and is lodged in the hands of the Chairman for the present

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At a meeting of the Committee 10th Janry 1778

Present

Andrew McFarlan in the Chaire

Ryneer Minderse
Alexander Vedder
James Wilson
Abraham Oathaut
John Cuyler
Derk Van Ingan
Hugh Mitchell

Resolved that Hugh Oar be Sent for a Munday Next by the Chairman and ordred to pay five pounds as a fine for Selling Liquor Contrary to the Orders of this board and that he be again forbid Selling aney liquor to aney person whatsoever in this town Untill lisenced by this or Som futer board.

[1] Original signatures in the record.

At a meeting of the Committee 13th Janᵞ 1778

Present

Abraham Funda in the Chaire

Ryneer Minderse	Jacobus Teller
Abraham Oathaut	Alexander Vedder
James Wilson	Hugh Mitchell

Liuᵗ Clark of Colonel Van Skyks[1] Redgiment made Complaint to this board that a horse was Stoll from One of his Neighbours (a Wido woman) last fall and that he had Now found the Said horse in the possesion of Samuel Tuttle Said Tuttle being pressent Acknowledged to have a horse which he purchased from David Schuyler about ten or twelve Days ago. On Motion made Resolved that Liuᵗ. Clark be desired to give the Owner of the horse Notice to Come and proove property and that Samˡ. Tuttle is ordred to keep the horse untill this board orders him to deliver him up

On Motion made Resolved that the barrckes is wanted for to Quarter the Soldiers in which is Now billeted in this Town and that Doctor Trate be Desired to Send No more Sick or persones to be inoculated to this Hospital. John Cuyler is appointed to wate on Doctor Trate and make him Acquainted with the Above Resolve.

At a meeting of the Committee 17th Janrᵞ 1778

Present

Andrew McFarlan in the Chaire

Abraham Oathaut	Abraham Funda
Ryneer Minderse	Jacobus Teller
Alexʳ. Vedder	Hugh Mitchell

Thomas McCartey Complained to this board that Aron Stevens hath taken up a Colt belonging to Said McCartey and refuses to deliver it up to him Resolved that a Summons be Sent to Aron Stephens to appear before this board on Seterday the 24th Instᵗ. at 2 Clock P M to answer to Said Complaint which was don Accordingly

On Motion made Resolved that Walter Dans may be Releesed from his Confinement on his taking the Oath of Alleagence to this State and that a Coppey of his Oath be transmitted to this board. Resolved that Isaac Wormer & Bartholemy Van Alstine may be Releesed from their Confinement on

[1] Van Schaick's.

their taking the Oath of Allegence to the State providing that the Committee of their Own District Aprove of their Releese. Resolved that Henry & Michel Reghter may be Released from their Confinement on their taking the Oath of Alliagence to the State and giving good Security for their futor good behaviour. Resolved that Ab$^{m.}$ Funda is appointed to attend at the general Meeting of the Committee at albany on Wednesday Next. Resolved that Abraham Funda & Abraham Oathaut is appointed to Deliver out the two M$^{rs.}$ of publick Salt Now in Our Custoday in due proportion to the inhabitents of this District who have obtained Certifycats from this board & have Not got Salt and that they Charge three pence p^{r} Quart Over and Above the price fixed by the Counsel of Safety for to defrey the Charges of Transporting the Same from Alb^{y} and of Serving the Same Out here, and that they be Sworn to Execute the above Resolve true and faithfully which was don in the following words —

You do Swer on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that you will Serve out the Salt Now here without partialliaty to the Inhabitents of this District Agreeable to the Above Resolve and keep a Just and true Account of the money Arrising from the Sale of the Same to the best of your Knowledge So help you God. The Certifycats of those who are not looked Upon to be frends to the Cuntry Excepted

Abraham Fonda
Abr$^{m.}$ Oothout [1]

At a Meeting of the Committee 22^{d} Janr^{y} 1778

Present

Abraham Funda in the Chaire

Abraham Oathaut	James Wilson
John Cuyler	Hugh Mitchell
Alex$^{r.}$ Vedder	

M$^{r.}$ Oathaut being returned from the General Meeting of the Committee reported that it is Still in agitation with the Committee of Albany to release Andrew Lidle & John Winford from their Confinement Unless Some other reasones be asined for keeping them in Custody besides those given in by General Gates Resolved that a letter be wrot to the Committee of Abany desiring they may be kep in Custody & Giving Our Reasones for So doing which was don Accordingly As per Coppy on file. Resolved that John Cuyler

[1] Original signatures in the record.

Alexander Vedder James Wilson & Hugh Mitchell is appointed to be a Sub-Committee to diside an affair between Samuel Tuttle of this District and the Widow Eva Hainer of Tryon County respecting a Horse. The Committee of Albany having Verbaly requested us to procure as many planks & boards as possible for the publick Use with the Utmost Expedition Resolved that the Owners of the Samills in this District be Sent for to meet here on tuesday Next to give Us in their proposals that we may know how many they can furnish and at what rate.

At a Meeting of the Committee Janr^{y} 23^{d} 1778

Present

John Cuyler	Alexander Vedder
James Wilson	Hugh Mitchell

Eva Hainer being present to prove her titule to a horse Now in the possesion of Samuel Tuttle agreable to a resolve of the 13th Ins$^{t.}$ and being asked what Markes the horse She lost hase Says that he is of a black Collawer with a white blase on his forehead with a Small Stripe down towards his nose a white Spott on his lip and is branded with a P upside down but is not Certain whether on the Showlder or thy.[1] The horse being produced and Nearly answering to the Above Description Resolved that Said Eva Hainer be Sworn that the Horse is her property which was don Accordingly

I do Swer on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that the Horse Now produsd by Samuel Tuttle is my Just propertey and that I nor my Husband in his lifetime have Not Sould or Exchanged Said horse with aney person whatsoever that I am Now the proper Owner of Said Horse to the besst of my Knowledge So Help me God

Sworn before me
John Cuyler Ju^{r} Justice[2]

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Eva × Hainer[2]
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We do Swere on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that the Horse Now produced by Samuel Tuttle is the Just propertey of Eva Hainer to the best of Our Knowledge So help me God.

Schonectady 23^{d} Janr^{y} 1778
Sworn before me
John Cuyler Ju^{r} Justice[4,5]

Jacob T Clock[2]
Cunred Getmen[2,3]

[1] Thigh.
[2] Original signatures in the record.
[3] Name doubtful.

The Committee having taken into Consideration the Claime & Evidence produced by Eva Hainer respecting the Horse now in Custody of Samuel Tuttle, Resolved that Said horse is the property of Said Eva Hainer and that he be delivered to hir Emediatly which was don Accordingly

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At a meeting of the Committee 24th Janry 1778

Present

Abraham Funda in the Chaire

Hugh Mitchell
John Cuyler
Abraham Oathaut
James Wilson
Alexander Vedder

Alexander Robison makes Complaint that John Chairman hase in his Custody Sundry Effects belonging the Heirs of Thomas Claus. On motion made Resolved that Said Chairman be Summonsed to appear before this board on Monday Next to answer to the Complaint of Said Robison which was don Accordingly

Aron Stephens appeared before this board agreable to Summons Served upon him, and produced the Colt Claimed by Thomas McCartey. On Examination the Colt appears to be the property of Said Aron Stephens.

At a meeting of the Committee 26th [Jan.] 1778

Present

Abraham Funda in the Chaire

Albert Mabey
John Cuyler
James Wilson
Alexander Vedder
Hugh Mitchell

Hugh Oar appeared before this board and paid a fine of five pounds for Retailing liquor without licence and Contreary to Orders from this board Agreeable to a former Resolve

John Chairman appeared agreeable to Summons to answer to the Complaint of Alexander Robison Said Robison being Also present.

At A Meeting of the Committee febr^{y} 1st 1778

Present

Abraham Funda Chairman

John Cuyler	Alex$^{r.}$ Vedder
Albert Mabey	Abr$^{m.}$ Oathaut
Jacobus Teller	Hugh Mitchell

Daniel M^{c}Donald[1] a Soldier in Colonel Van Skeyks Reg^{t} and Cap$^{t.}$ Cobs Company informed the board that he hase a boy of Seven years Old Now living with George Posses which he desires to have in order to bind him Out an Aprentise to Some person and that Said Posses Refuses to let him have the boy. Said Posses being Also pressent Says that he hase kep Said boy one year and Nine monthes and that he is willing to deliver up Said boy if Said M^{c}Daniel will pay him fifteen pounds for his keeping. Resolved that if Said M^{c}Daniel do pay to George Posses fifteen pounds N Y C on or before the fifteenth day of this Ins^{t} then Pusess Shall deliver up the boy if Not the Said M^{c}Donald is to bind his Son An Aprentise to the Said Posses and that the Said Posses Shall be bound to learn Said boy the Trade or Calling of a Shoemaker

John M^{c}Callom Complains to the board that he hase been Robed of one pair leather britches & two Rawls of Tobaco and Supposses that Isaac Isaacs & Hanyost Pease is the persones Giltey of the Robery as they lived or was billeted in his house he further Says that he hase Seen the two Rawls of Tobaco in the Possesion of Henry Hill and requests a Serch Warrent to Search the House of Said Hill. Resolved that a Search warrent be granted to the said M^{c}Callom on his Making Oath that he thinkes that the whole or part of Said Effects is in the possesion of Said Hill

I do Swer on the holy Evangelist of Almighty God that I have Seen two Rawls of Tobaco in the possesion of Henry Hill which I beleve to be the two Rauls of Tobaco Lately Stoll out of my House to the best of My K[n]owledge So help me God

Sworn before me John M^{c}Collom[2]

Abraham Fonda Chairman P: T:[2]

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[2] Original signatures in the record.

[1] There is the same confusion of names between McDonald and McDaniel in *State Archives*, vol. 1 (*Documents relating to the Colonial History of the State of New York*, vol. 15), p. 184, 252. He served in Capt. Copp's company of Col. Van Schaick's regiment.

John McCallom having taken the above Oath Resolved that a Serch warrent be granted to him which was don Accordingly. The Constable having taken the warrent and made Search found two Roles of Tobaco in the possesion of Henry Hill which he produced to this board, & John McCallom being asked if the Said Tobaco was his he answred that it was and was willing to Swer that it was his property to the best of his Knowledge. Resolved that if Said McCalom proves his propertey by Oath that it be delivered to him. And that he take the following Oath

I do Swer on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that the two Roles of tobaco this day found by the Constable (and Now in the Committee Chamber) in the possession of Henry Hill is my Property to the best of My Knowledge So help me God

Sworn before me John McCollom [1]

Abraham Fonda Chairman[1]

Resolved that Henry Hill pay the Coast of the warrent isued against him, two Shillings for writing the warrent & two Shillings for Serving it.

Resolved that Abraham Funda is Appointed to attend at the General meeting of the Countey Committee at Albany on tuesday Next. Resolved that John Cuyler Alexr. Vedder & Hugh Mitchell is appointed to be a Sub-Committee to transact bussiness in the Town untill Seterday Next.

At a meeting of the Committee 3d febry 1778

Present

John Cuyler Alexander Vedder

Hugh Mitchell

John Brown Soldier in Colonel Van Skeuks Regiment & Captain Grahams Company Complains to this board and Says that he hase been lately on Command Along with the Rest of his Company at Sarratoga and when he went from this Town to go on Said Command he left Sundrey Articles Viz a fether bed & bedding Shirts & Stockings two brass Cooking Kettles on Tin kettle Teapott &c in the Care of Elizabath Robeson whom he kep as a Compenion for Some time and that on his Return to Town from Said Command he was informed that the Said Elizabath Robeson had imbazled & Made away with all his Effects and was her Self gon to Fort Schuyler Along with another Man.

[1] Original signatures in the record.

On making inquirey After his Said Effects he has found the bed and bed Clothes in the possesion of Sarah Culberson a kettle in the Custody of Petter Adair, Another Kettle in the Custody of Mrs. Liddle a black Silk handkertchief in the Custody of John the butcher a british Soldier who lodges at the house of Sarah Culberson, which they refuse to deliver up to him

Recd. an order from Fredrick Fisher one of the Commissioners of Sequesteration for Tryon County to take into Custodey all the Saddlers tooles belonging to Michel Grass Now in the possesion of Fredrick William Asold. Said Asold being Sent for and pressent Says that he purchesed the Said tools from the wife of Michell Grass

The wife of Michel Grass being also pressent Says that being intimidated by him and made to beleve that all her Effects wawld be taken from her and She her Self be Sent to Cannada Sould him Some Saddlers tools & Saddlerey ware for Nine gunnees[1]— a Saddle Saddle bags & Som wheep Sticks for two gunnees. The Committee being of Opinion that they Cannot with propriety take the above Mentioned articles from the Said Ashold without Causing his money to be returned to him. Thereupon Resolved that Said Fredrick W. Ashold Give in a list upon Oath of all the Articles he purchased from the wife of Michael Grass and Securitey to deliver them up to this board when demanded. Also Resolved that the wife of Michel Grass Give Securitey to deliver up to this board the Eleven Ginneys which She Recd from the Said Ashold for the goods Sould him when demanded Each under the penalty of fiftey pounds

Joseph Flansborrough Complains that Alexr. Marselis is indepted to him for Labour which he refuses to pay Resolved that Alexr. Marselis be Summonsed to appear before this board on Seterday Next to Answer to the Complaint of Said Flansborrough which was don Accordingly

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At a meeting of the Committee febry 4th 1778

Present

Abraham Funda in the Chaire

Albert Mabey
James Wilson
Jacobus Teller
Alexr. Vedder
Hugh Mitchell

[1] Guineas.

Messrs. Teller & Fundaw being Returned from the General Meeting of the Committee at Albany Laid before the board A Resolve of the Committee of Albany that no wheat or other Grain be distilled into Whiskey within this Countey Untill the Legislature Shall have regulated the prices of Commoditeys in this State. Resolved that Henry & Christopher Velthusen be Sent for and made Acquainted with the above Resolve which was don Accordingly.

Fredrick William Hashold appeared before the board and Said he Coold Not give Bail According to the Resolve of the 3d Inst. but was willing to deliver of the goods he had on hand and pay for those Sould providing the money he gave for them was Returned Thereupon Resolved that Said Hashold Deliver up the goods on hand Under Oath and pay for those he Sould which was don Accordingly and the Sum Recd. Entred on the back of the In[ventory]

Resolved that Mrs. Grass deliver up the Eleven Guinnes She Received from Fredrick Wm Ashold to be Returned to him which was don Accordingly

Resolved that Fredrick Fisher Commissioner of Tryon County be Acquainted with the Above proceedings by letter

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At a meeting of the Committee 7 febry 1778

Present

John Cuyler in the Chaire

Albert Mabey
Jacobus Teller
Hugh Mitchell
James Wilson
Alexr. Vedder

Mathew Fisher Esqr. Complains that Jean Adair (who is a bound Servant to Capt Fryer) got leave from her Said Master Some time ago to Come to this Town to See her frends and was to Return in a few days, that his Wife Mrs Fisher lent the Said Jean a Long blue brod Cloth Cloek A Short Scarlet Cloek & a Stove and that the Said Jean Will Not return to her Service Nor deliver up his wifes goods Resolved that Jean Adair be Summonsed to Appear before the board Emediatly to Answer to Said Complaint which being don and She refusing to appear Resolved that Said Jean be Committed to Albany Goal untill She give Sattisfaction to her Said Master Or be released by that Committee which was don Accordingly

The Committee Taking into Consideration the Complaint of John Brown of the 3d Inst Resolved that if the Said John Brown Make Oath that he hase been Robed of the Articles Mentioned in his Complaint and that he hase Just Cause of Suspesion [ ] that they or any part of them is in the

Proceedings, part 3[1]

At a meeting of the freeholders and Inhabitants of the township of Schenectady the 15th day of June 1779 the following persons were Chosen by a plurality of votes as a committee to represent them in General Committee Viz. John Cuyler, John B. Vrooman and Lancaster Conner.

Committee Chamber. 16 June 1779

Present

John Cuyler John B. Vrooman and Lancaster Conner.

In consequence of a resolution of the General Committee at Albany dated the 18th Istant recommending to the Inhabitants of the Different Districts to Elect as many persons as they shall think proper to represent them in General Committee and to enforce the due observance of the Resolves of the General and this Committee, Resolved that the Inhabitants of this district do meet on the 24th of this Instant at 9 O'Clock in the morning at the house of John B. Vrooman to elect six of the Inhabitants in addition to those already chosen for the above purposes.

Committee Chamber. June 24th 1779

At a meeting of the freeholders and inhabitants of this district the following persons were chosen Viz.

James Shuter	Myndert Wemple
Abrah[m]. Oathout	Jacobus Teller
Albert Mabie	Dirk Van Ingen

Committee Chamber. June 28th 1779

At a meeting of the Committee

Present

Jacobus Teller	Myndert Wemple
Lancaster Conner	James Shuter
John B. Vrooman	Dirk Van Ingen

[1] For account of the manuscript, see introduction.

On motion made, Resolved that the appointing of a Chairman be postponed till the next meeting.

On motion made Resolved that James Shuter and Myndert Wemple do attend upon the General Committee at Albany to-morrow.

At a meeting of the Committee June [July] 2, 1779[1]

Present

Abraham Oathout	John Vrooman
John Cuyler	Albert Mabie
Myndert Wemple	Lancaster Conner
James Shuter	Dirk Van Ingen

On motion made Resolved that Abraham Oathout be Chairman and Dirk Van Ingen Clerk.

In consequence of a Resolve of the General Committee for importing a quantity of Salt for the supply of the Inhabitants of Albany County

Resolved that four persons be appointed to receive subscriptions of the Inhabitants of this District for the above purposes, And that every person who shall become a subscriber for Salt shall bind himself to pay for so much as he shall subscribe for as the salt so bought with the expences shall amount to and that the public be given notice hereof by public advertisement in the words following

Whereas the General Committee for the County of Albany having taken into consideration the scarcity of salt and the exhorbitant prices for which it is sold have by late resolve determined to import a Quantity of salt sufficient for the supply of the Inhabitants of the City and County which salt is to be sent to every district and each subscriber to have the salt which he subscribes for at the prime cost and necessary expences.

It is therefore requested, that all persons who stand in need of that article Give in their names with the quantity they want and the money therefore at the rate of thirty pounds per bushel unto Messrs. Andrew McFarlan Nicholas Van Der Volgen John Roseboom and Jesse De Graff, or any of them on or before the 12 Instant.

If the salt should amount to more than thirty pounds a bushel, the deficiency is to be made; if less, the overplus to be returned at the delivery of the salt.

And as it is supposed there may be some who cannot at present advance the money, they are also desired to give in their names and quantity they

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[1] Under June 2d, Sanders enters extracts from the minutes of this date and of July 9th.

want to any of the above named gentlemen and pay the same at the receipt of the salt. It is to [be] hoped that all well disposed people who are willing to assist the poor will deposit such sums of money in the hands of the above named Gentlemen as they shall see fit; which money with the thanks of this board shall be returned to them as soon as the salt is distributed among the subscribers.

A complaint being made before this board that David Frank hath sold George (Serge?) at a much higher rate than he sold it the beginning of May, On motion made Resolved that David Frank be sent for[.] He being present acknowledged that he sold three Ells and 1 quarter of an ell of said Zerge and 1 dozen of buttons to John Fort for which he received thirty dollars and at the same time acknowledged that he offered the same about 7 weeks ago for seven dollars, thereupon resolved that said David Frank doth return to said Fort the sum of six dollars and two shillings and that he ask the pardon of this board for the offence[.] Said Frank being sent for returned the money and pleaded that he was ignorant that dry-goods were comprehended in the Resolves of the regulating of prices and begged the pardon of the board and promised not to offend again[.]

At a meeting of the Committee July 7, 1779

Present

Abraham Oathout Chairman

Myndert Wemple	Albert Mabie
John B. Vrooman	Dirk Van Ingen

The Chairman informed this board that Hugh Mitchell Esq desired him to lay before this board a request of him the said Michell requesting this board an Indulgence for retailing a Cargo imported from Philadelphia at a higher price than what they are stated at, as he could not afford to sell them at the stated price. On motion made resolved that this board can not give such Indulgence and that the said Mitchell appear before this board with his Invoices on Saturday at 5 O'Clock in the afternoon at the Committee Chambers and that this board will take the request into consideration and lay it before the next General Committee[.]

At a meeting of the Committee July 8th 1779

Present

Abraham Oathout Chairman

John Cuyler	John B. Vrooman
Myndert Wemple	Albert Mabie
Lancaster Conner	Dirk Van Ingen

Mr. Oathout representing to this board that he finds himself so much encumbered on account of his Public Business begs leave to resign his place as Chairman[.] On motion made resolved that Mr Oathout's be accepted of, John Cuyler being unanimously chosen Chairman of this board and Ab^{rm} Oathout Deputy Chairman and the said Gentlemen took their seats accordingly.

Complaints having been made to this board that a number of Persons in this town have divers articles of Merchandize which they will not dispose of only by way of barter and that the most exhorbitant Difference between the Committee varying from the regulating prices of said Articles, whereby these persons that have no Commodity in hands are Entirely deprived of getting the necessaries their families stand in need of, this board having taken said complaints into consideration

Thereupon Resolved that no person or persons in this District shall be allowed to exchange any article excepting salt by way of barter only in such a manner as such Articles are regulated until a Contrary Resolution of this board shall take place.

Resolved that the above Resolutions be made public and any person or persons transgressing after the publication hereof shall be deemed proper objects of the Resentment of the public and be dealt with accordingly.

Information being given to this board that Mr. Hugh Mitchell had sold tea at eighteen dollars (per lb) [,] On motion made Resolved that Hugh Mitchell be sent for[.] He being present acknowledged that he had received for a few pounds of tea Eighteen dollars, Resolved that Mitchell's matter be taken into consideration at our next Meeting.

Adjourned till to-morrow morning 9 oclock[.]

At a meeting of the Committee according to adjournment July 9—1779

Present

John Cuyler Chairman

James Shuter	Lancaster Conner
Albert Mabie	Myndert Wemple
Abraham Oathout	Dirk Van Ingen
John Vrooman	

This board having taken the case of Hugh Mitchell into Consideration, Resolved thereupon that said Hugh Mitchell be sent for and acquaint this board what persons have given him eighteen dollars per lb. for his tea and further Resolved that that said Hugh Mitchell appear before the next General Committee at Albany which is to be held the 14th Instant, there to answer for his conduct[.]

On motion made Resolved that this board do meet weekly on Monday and Friday in the afternoon at 2 o Clock[.]

Adjourned till 2 O'Clock in the afternoon[.]

Met according to adjournment.

Present

John Cuyler Chairman

James Shuter	John B. Vrooman
Abraham Oathout	Lancaster Conner
Albert Mabie	Dirk Van Ingen

Information being given to this board that John Empie had sold Yeast to different persons for specie, Resolved that said Empie be sent for. He being present said he never sold Yeast, but the Yeast that was sold was sold by his wife and he beleived she had taken some hard money but pleaded that he did not know that it was against the Resolution to take it when offered. Being requested by this board to name the persons from whom his wife received hard money, said he could not tell. On motion made Resolved that said Empie pay all the hard money that his wife has received back again to those people, from whom he has taken it, and that the public be notified thereof by public advertisement in the words following

Information being given to this board that John Empie had sold Yeast for hard money, he being sent for acknowledged that his wife had received

some for Yeast but did not refuse to receive paper currency, as was alleged against him and declares that he did not know it was forbid[.] This board taking said matter into consideration thereupon Resolved that said Empie pay all the hard money back again to those persons from whom his wife has received it and those persons who have since the publication of the regulating act paid hard money to said Empie or his wife for Yeast are desired to pay said Empie [on] Receipt of the hard money an equal sum in paper currency[.] It is hoped no such evil practices for the future will be carried on as the buyer and seller will be equally considered as trangressors of said act.

Schenectady Committee Chamber July 9 1779

Published by order of the Committee
Dirk Van Ingen Clerk[1]

Mr Mitchell being according to the former Resolution sent for appeared and acquainted this board that he had only sold four lb of [tea] to Mrs Teller and that he sold to none else higher than at the stated price, but had returned the money afterwards he appearing sorry for what he had done[.] On motion made Resolved that Mr Mitchell be acquitted and the Resolve passed on his affairs this morning be Disannulled.

Jeremiah De Graaf appeared before this board and complained that he was charged and paid for weaving, three dollars an ell for striped coarse linen and twelve shillings an ell for very coarse plain linnen to John B$^{t.}$ V. Eps' Jun^{r}.

Resolved that said Van Epps be sighted to appear before this board on Monday next and answer for his conduct[.] [2]

At a meeting of the Committee July 12 1779

Present

Abraham Oathout Chairman

James Shuter
Albert Mabie
Lancaster Conner
John B. Vrooman
Dirk Van Ingen

John B$^{t.}$ Van Epps appeared before this board and said that he told De Graaf that he would weave for grain but acknowledged the sam[e] time that De Graaf did not promise him grain but desired that de Graaf might give his affidavit that he understood that he was to pay him in money at the

[1] Entered by Sanders under June 2d without any indication that it is an advertisement.
[2] Entered by Sanders under June 2d.

time that he brought the yarn which said De Graaf did accordingly[.] On motion made Resolved that Wessel Wesselse and Will[m]. Hall both weavers be sent for[.] Being present the cloth was shown them and they were desired to tell how much they used to weave such cloth for[.] Hall said that He wove for grain and did not weave much for money[.] Wesselse said the one sort he wove for six shillings an Ell and the other for nine shillings and Ell[.] Thereupon Resolved that said John B[t]. Van Epps Jun[r] do return the sum of twenty three pounds twelve shillings which in the opinion of this board was extorted from said De Graaf by said V. Eps Jun[r] which we hope will prevent all extortioners from pursuing the same evil practices by which said V. Eps is become an object of public resentment. And that the above be published by advertisement in the words following

Complaints having been entered before this board against John B[t]. Van Eps Ju[r] for extortion upon weaving this board having sent for said Van Eps and he appearing acknowledged the receipt of the sum (by his agent) as was alleged against him[.] This board taking the matter into consideration have found said Van Eps Guilty of Extorting the sum of twenty three pounds twelve shillings on the weaving of nineteen and a half Ells striped and thirty two Ell pl[a]in linnen[.] Thereupon Resolved that said Van Eps be ordered to pay the sum of twenty three pounds twelve shillings back again to the person from whom he received the same and be held up as an object of Resentment.

This proceeding we hope will prevent extortioners from pursuing such evil practices as have been too long made use of and must unless immediately prevented End in the destruction of the Country[.]

Schenectady Committee Chamber July 9 1779

By order of the Committee
John Cuyler Chairman[1]

At a meeting of the Committee July 13 1779

Present

John Cuyler in the chair

James Shuter
Lancaster Conner
John B, Vrooman
Dirk Van Ingen

On motion made Resolved that Messrs Jacobus Teller and Albert Mabie be a sub committee to attend on the General Committee at Albany to Morrow[.]

[1] Van Eps case entered by Sanders in condensed form.

Committee Chamber July 20th 1779

Present

John Cuyler in the chair

James Shuter	Albert Mabie
John B. Vrooman	Dirk Van Ingen
Lancaster Conner	Jacobus Teller

Having received a Resolution of the General Committee of Albany passed the 14th July 1779 Desiring the district Committees to take the sense of the Inhabitants in respect to the appointment of the Delegates who are to represent this County in a State Convention on the 17th day of August next to propose to them whether they will elect such delegates or leave the appointment of them to the General Committee and the Members of the different district committees are desired to report the same at the next General Committee, thereupon Resolved that this board give notice to the Inhabitants of this District by public advertisements to Desire them to meet at the house of John A. Bradt to give their opinion upon the Subject on monday next at ten oclock in the fore noon and whereas the members of the Committee are of Opinion that it would be made to the advantage of the Public to have an additional Number of persons to serve in Committee with those already chosen[,] On motion made Resolved that the public be desired to Elect three persons to serve as members in Committee in addition to those already chosen on Monday 26th July Instant at the house of Capt. John A Bradt[.]

Esei Vermon[1] (?) appeared before this board and gave information that Mr Elias Rosa had offered hard specie for work, Said Rosa being sent for acknowledged the fault but pleaded that he had done it in consequence of the great difference in the prices[.] On motion made Resolved that said Elias Rosa at present be dismissed and be ordered to appear before this board when sent for[.] Information being given to this board that William Glifford had bought from Myndert Bradt[2] a Sith (?) for hard money, Resolved that said Glifford be ordered to appear before Messrs Cuyler Teller and Dirk Van Ingen or two of them whom this board have appointed a sub committee said Glifford concerning the same to morrow morning at 10 OClock[.]

Mr. John Van Sice informed this [board] that last Saturday afternoon he and Abraham Jel[s]. Truax were at the stoop of Docter Van Ingen when Mr John Rent happened to come past, he having a bundle under his arm.

[1] Sanders: Vernor.
[2] Sanders: Margaret Bradt.

Truax asked him " what have you in your bundle " he answered Tea. Truax asked him what he paid for it. He said twenty dollars a lb. Truax observed that it was above the regulated price. Rent answered he did not care for the regulations. John Van Sice then said you seem to take no regard to the regulations of the Committee. Rent said he did not regard the Committee nor their laws, and if he had ever so much goods he would buy and sell as he pleased and before he would sell it at the regulated price he would rather throw it in the river. Thereupon Resolved that John Rent Abraham Jel^{s}. Truax be ordered to appear before this board next Saturday at 2 O Clock in the afternoon[.]

At a meeting of the Committee July 24 1779

Present

John Cuyler in the Chair

James Shuter	John B. Vrooman
Abraham Oathout	Albert Mabie
Lancaster Conner	Dirk Van Ingen

Mr. William Glifford not appearing according to notice, On motion made Resolved that application be made to Coll. Wemple to send to Capt. Wasson to order some of the Militia men out of his company to apprehend said William Glafford and also John Moore and William Moore and bring them before this board next Monday at three OClock in the afternoon at the Committee Chamber at the house of Capt. John A Bradt[.]

Mr Abraham Jel^{s} Truax appeared before this board and being duly sworn declared that Mr. John Rent passed the stoop of Dr. Van Ingen where the said Truax and John Van Sice stood. Rent having a bundle under his arm. Said Truax asked him if he had Tea. He said Yes. Truax asked him what he paid for it. He said not above twenty dollars. Then Truax asked him if he paid twenty dollars. He said yes. Thence Van Sice said Then it is not worth while we have a Committee. Rent answered that it was a disadvantage to the people because the people who went down the Country sold it by the way. Then Van Sice said it is not worth while to have Laws. Rent answered "no it is not" and if he had as much goods as would supply the people of this town walled in secure from the people he would rather let it lay and rot or set it a flood than Dispose of it at the regulated price. Thereupon Resolved that said John Rent appear before the General Committee at

Albany on Thursday next at 10 O Clock in the forenoon to answer for his conduct and also that a sub committee from this board attend upon the General Committee at Albany and take copies of the affidavits of John Van Sice and Abraham Jel[s] Truax to deliver in the board[.][1]

At a meeting of the Committee July 26th 1779

Present

John Cuyler in the Chair

Jacobus Teller	John B. Vrooman
John Shutes	Lancaster Conner
Abraham Oathout	Dirk Van Ingen

Mr. William Moore appearing according to appointment but being in liquor the board thought him unfit for taking an oath in order to give information Thereupon Resolved that said Moore appear before this board to morrow morning at 9 O Clock.

According to advertisement for taking the sense of the people respecting the Election and Appointment of Delegates to serve in Convention the appearing were unanamously of opinion that the General Committee should appoint them, and at the same time Coll. Abraham Wemple Messr[s] Johne Roseboom and Will[m] White were elected as members for this board in addition to those already chosen[.]

Committee Chambers July 27 1779

Present

John Cuyler in the chair

James Shuter	Albert Mabie
Abraham Oathout	Will[m] White
Coll Wemple	Dirk Van Ingen

Messrs Abraham Wemple and Will[m] White took seats accordingly. On motion made Resolved that Albert Mabie and Dirk Van Ingen be a sub committee to attend upon the General Committee at Albany[.]

Will[m] Glafford appeared before this board and being duly sworn declared that he had bought a sith from John Bradt for hard money a little better than

[1] Entered by Sanders as the 20th. The Albany Committee minutes for this date are not extant.

six weeks ago and that he did not know at the time he bought the sith that hard money was not to pass. John Moore being duly sworn informed this board that he heard Wither Johnson say he had bought a sith from the Bradts and that to the best of his knowledge it was then publickly known that hard money was not to pass.

At a meeting of the Committee July 31 1779

Present

John Cuyler in the Chair

Albert Mabie	James Shuter
Lancaster Conner	Dirk Van Ingen
John B. Vrooman	Jacobus Teller
William White	

On motion made Resolved that it is the opinion of this board that it is the duty of every member of this board to lay every information concerning any infractions of the Resolves that shall come to his or their knowledge before this board for an examination[.]

John Moore being duly sworn on the holy evangelists of Almighty God Declared that he was at John S. Bradts the next day or two or three days after Glasford bought a sith and asked said Bradt for a sith[.] Bradt asked him three skipple of wheat two hard Dollars or thirty Continental Dollars to the best of his knowledge[.]

Peter Hagedorn complained to this board that Mrs. Moston [1] had sold him a lb of tea at twenty five dollars and afterwards Came to the house of Reuben Simonds and by force took the tea back again from said Hagedoorn and returned him the money.

Resolved thereupon that Mrs Moston be sent for — she being present acknowledged the above Charge. Thereupon Resolved that said Mrs Moston do deliver to the said Hagedoorn the pound of tea he paying fourteen dollars for the same and also pay to the Chairman of this Committee the sum of Eleven dollars as a fine for extorting the said sum of Eleven Dollars.

Resolved that the Chairman keep all the fines that shall be laid by this board until ordered by this board how to expose of the same.

Maria Hagedoorn appeared before this board and complained that Mrs Robbison had sold her a pound of West India Brown Sugar for the sum of thirty two shillings[.] Thereupon Resolved that Mr. John Robbison be

[1] Sanders: Moyston. So throughout the entry.

sent for[.] He being present said he did not know anything about it, but would ask his Wife[.] He returned and said Mrs Robbison acknowledged she had sold a lb of sugar, for four dollars but did not know sugar was regulated[.] Thereupon Resolved that said Robbison pay to the said Maria ten shillings back which was extorted from her and also pay the sum of five dollars to the Chairman of this board as a fine[.]

Simon Jac[s] Vrooman appeared before this board and complained that Mr Caleb Beck had sold two sticks of Mohair for six dollars which he looked upon as Extortion[.] Thereupon Resolved that Mr Beck be sent for[.] He appearing acknowledged the same[.] Thereupon Resolved that said Beck do return three dollars to said Simon which in the opinion of this board was extortion[.]

On motion made Resolved that every member belonging to this board who does not attend fifteen minutes after the hour appointed for the Committee to meet or on receiving notice shall (unless they can give a reasonable excuse to the satisfaction of the board) pay the price of one bowl of Toddy for every such neglect[.]

A meeting of the Committee Aug 3 1779

Present

John Cuyler
James Shuter
Lancaster Conner
William White
Dirk Van Ingen

Mrs Hagedoorn appeared according to a citation (and no member appearing to make a board) the gentlemen present considered the distance she lived, Recommended to the Chairman to take the oath[.] She being sworn declared that John Van Antwerp charged and took from her for a quarter of a pound of Indigo Eight Dollars. Whereupon the matter is referred till Saturday next.

At a meeting of the Committee 7th Aug 1779

Present

John Cuyler Chairman

Abraham Wemple	John Vrooman
Lancaster Conner	Will[m] White
Albert Mabie	Abraham Oathout
Myndert Wemple	Jacobus Teller

This board having sent for John Van Antwerp to answer a Complaint against him but he did not appear, therefore the matter is referred to the next meeting of this board[.]

Resolved that Jacobus Teller and John Roseboom be appointed a sub committee from this board to attend the County Committee at Albany on Wednesday the 11th Inst.

At a meeting of the Committee Aug 14 1779

Present

John Cuyler Chairman

Abraham Oathout	John Roseboom
Jacobus Teller	Lancaster Conner
Myndert Wemple	Will[m] White
Abra[m] Wemple	Dirk Van Ingen

Information being given to this board that Francis Doffy an Inhabitant of Goshen District hath bought some Cattle in this District at an Extortioned price, On motion made Resolved that one of the Members of this District attend on the Committee at Albany on Monday morning to Consult with them on the premises and see whether it would not be best to pass a Resolution to prevent persons buying up Cattle to take out of this County[.] Resolved that said Doffey be detained with the Cattle until their Resolution be known.

Resolved that Messr[s] John Antwerpen and Charles Meals be cited to appear before this board on Saturday next at 2 O Clock in the afternoon at the house of Capt. John A Bradt[.]

This board having received a Resolution of the General Committee of Albany dated the 29 July last concerning the regulation of trade Resolved that a copy of said Resolution be set up at some public place for perusal of the people[.]

At a meeting of the Committee Aug 18th 1779

Present

John Cuyler Chairman

Jacobus Teller	Will^{m} White
Abraham Wemple	Major Wemple
Ab^{m} Oathout	Dirk Van Ingen

The number that was sent down to attend upon the Committee at Albany reported that the Committee could not meet at that time but upon consulting the Chairman and Deputy Chairman it was their opinion that it should be laid before the General Committee but that we ought to detain the cattle until the result of the General Committee shall be known.

Resolved thereupon, that no cattle shall be permitted to be drove from this District until the Resolution of the General Committee of this County which is to convene next Tuesday shall be known[.]

Mr Charles Meals appearing before this board and being examined concerning a quantity of Tea he had imported from Philadelphia he being duly sworn declared that he had sold all his Tea but twenty pounds and a half including the Tea he wanted for his own use[.] He producing his vouchers for said Tea[,] they being at an early date before this County had fallen into the measures, we think it Just that said Meals should be allowed for his Tea at the rate of 25 p^{r} cent and cost of conveyance according to a later resolution of the General Committee dated 29 July last[.] Resolved thereupon that said Meals be ordered to sell his Tea at 20 Dollars and three pence pr. lb which is at the rate above[.]

APPENDIX

Membership of the Committee

The first committee was elected by the freeholders and inhabitants of Schenectady on May 6, 1775. In accordance with a resolution of October 30th of the County Committee, a new district committee was elected on November 7th to hold office from December 21st to the fourth Tuesday of May; the first meeting of this second committee was held on December 29, 1775.

The third committee was elected on May 7, 1776, for six months beginning May 28th (minutes of April 27th). Only three members of the third committee had served on either of the earlier ones and there are indications of differences of opinion in the refusal of the retiring committee to deliver up or permit the copying of their minutes by their successors (minutes of May 25th and 27th). Of this third committee we have no records; a minute of the County Committee, July 11, 1776, shows that three members had resigned and three new members had been elected.

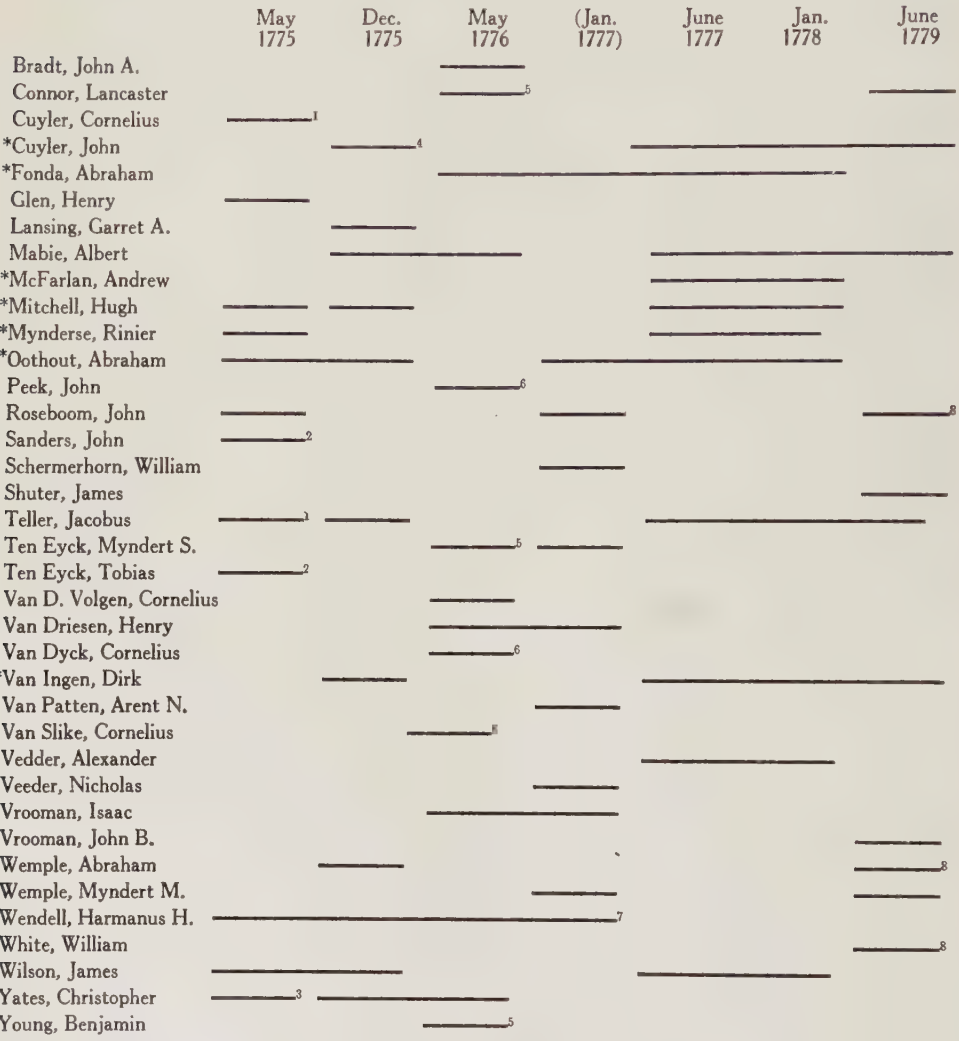
Of the fourth committee, the earliest records are wanting, but the County Committee minutes, November 27, 1776, show the election of the same membership as appears in the extant records for January to May 1777 with the addition of Harmanus H. Wendell, who died late in 1776 or early in 1777.

On May 20, 1777, the fifth committee, to serve from the first Tuesday in June to the first Tuesday in October, was duly elected and took their seats on June 2d. Only two of the eleven members succeeded themselves but there was no trouble about turning over papers and records to the new body. This committee continued to function without any new election until January 2, 1778, when all the members were reelected, sitting as the new committee, the sixth, on January 5th. As the second part of the existing records ends February 7th, and as the extant County Committee minutes close with June, we do not know how long this committee continued in existence.

The third part of the proceedings opens with the record of the election of three members to represent the freeholders and inhabitants of the township of Schenectady in the County Committee, June 15, 1779. This committee of three immediately called another election for the 24th, at which six additional members were chosen, constituting a new committee of nine, which we

must call the seventh; it is quite possible, however, that other elections took place between February 7, 1778, and June 15, 1779. The last minutes of this committee are those of August 18, 1779, although there is no indication that it ceased to exist on that date.

The following table shows the service of members on the various committees from 1775 to 1779:



* Served as officers of the committee, as shown in the following paragraph.
[1] Elected May 27, 1775.
[2] Declined.
[3] Resigned August 9, 1775.
[4] Elected February 10, 1776.
[5] Elected July 1776 (*see* Albany Com. Min., July 11, 1776).
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[7] Name on return to County Com. (*see* Albany Com. Min., Nov. 27, 1776).
[8] Elected July 26, 1779.

Officers of the Committee

On the organization of the first committee, May 1775, Christopher Yates was elected chairman and Hugh Mitchell, clerk. When Yates resigned, August 9, 1775, Rinier Mynderse was elected chairman. The second committee, December 1775, chose the following officers: Dirk Van Ingen, chairman; Abraham Wemple, deputy chairman; Hugh Mitchell, clerk; and Christopher Yates, deputy clerk. We have no record of the officers of the third committee, May 1776. As the earliest record of the fourth committee, January 1777, are wanting, we have no list of officers elected; Abraham Fonda appears on the roll of attendance as chairman. Rinier Mynderse was elected chairman of the fifth committee, June 1777, and served until September 5th, when he resigned because of his prospective attendance at the Legislature; Andrew McFarlan was elected chairman in his place; in the absence of McFarlan during November and December, Mynderse acted as chairman; Van Ingen was clerk. Andrew McFarlan was again elected chairman of the sixth committee, January 1778, and James Wilson, clerk; in the frequent absences of McFarlan, Abraham Fonda served as chairman when present. The last committee, June 1779, did not organize by the election of officers until July 2d, when it chose Abraham Oothout as chairman and restored Dirk Van Ingen to his position as clerk; Oothout resigned as chairman, July 8th, and was elected deputy chairman, John Cuyler being elected chairman and serving to the end of the period for which we have any record.

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The following list includes the names of members of the Albany Committee, whose records are in volume 1, as well as those of the Schenectady Committee. *The latter are printed in italics.* References are to pages but the approximate dates, and the committee of which a member, can be determined from the following table:

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	1776–77 Dec. 2–June 3	1777–78 June 3–Jan. 5	1778 Jan. 6–June 10	1779 June 15–Aug. 18
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